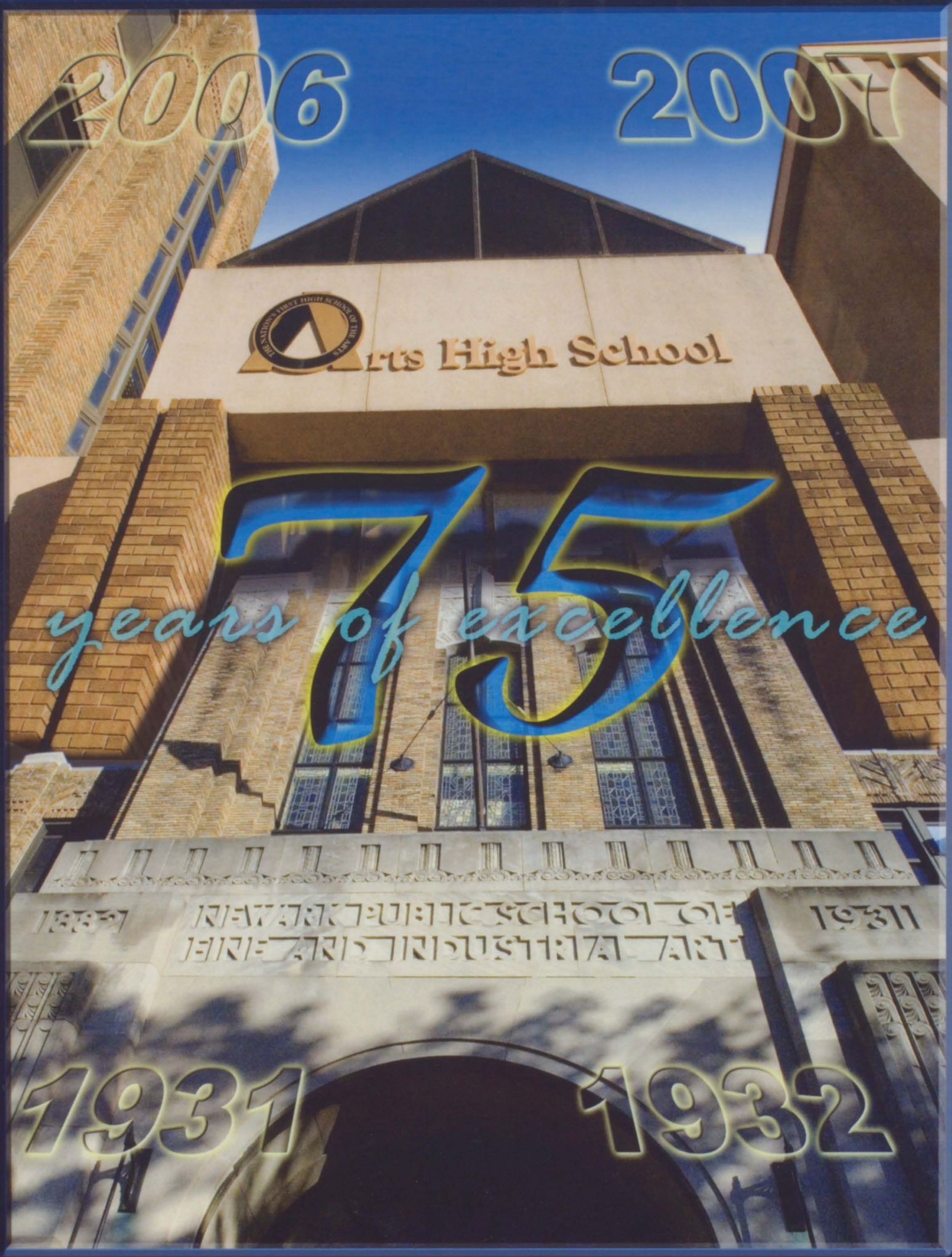
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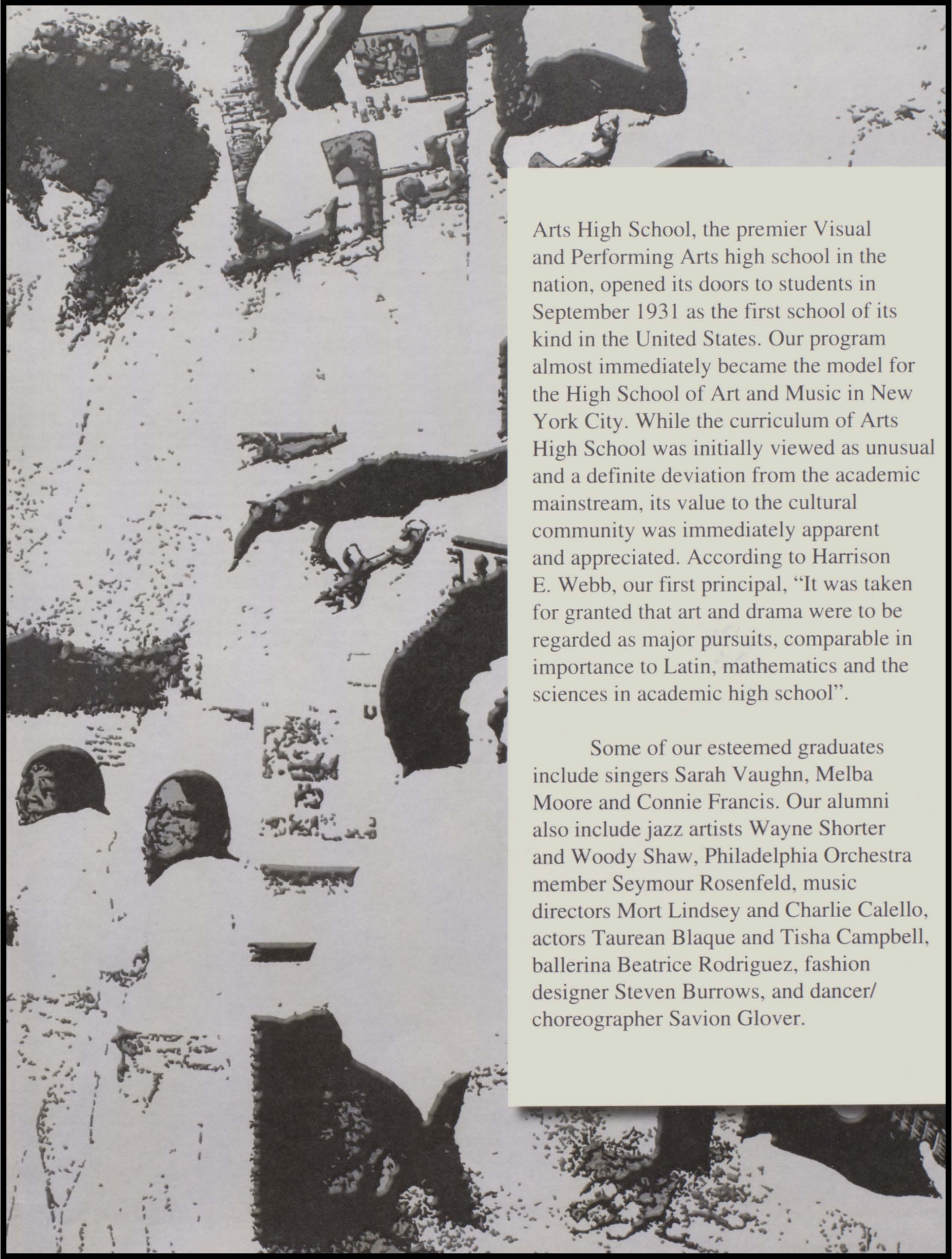
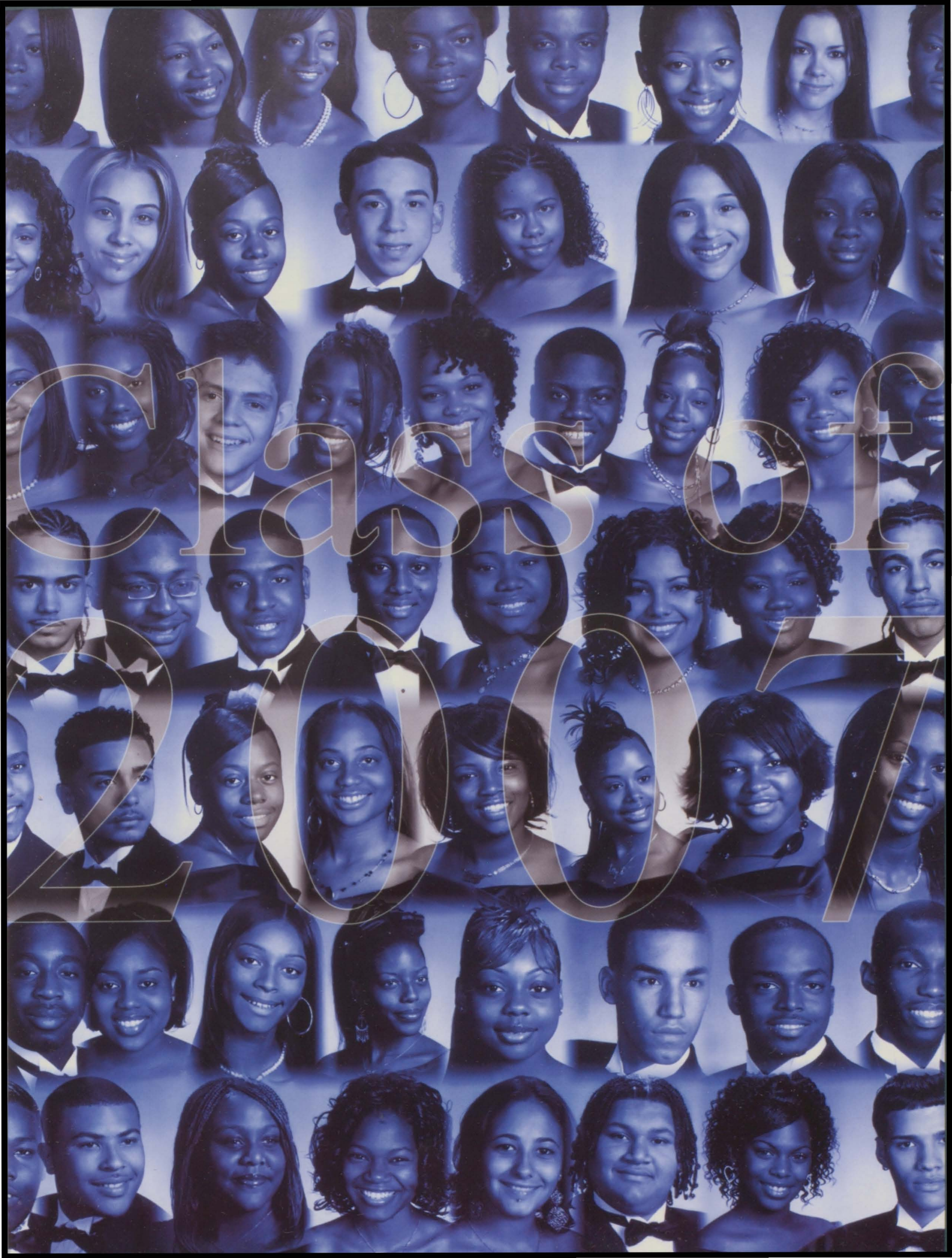


Arts High School, the premier Visual and Performing Arts high school in the nation, opened its doors to students in September 1931 as the first school of its kind in the United States. Our program almost immediately became the model for the High School of Art and Music in New York City. While the curriculum of Arts High School was initially viewed as unusual and a definite deviation from the academic mainstream, its value to the cultural community was immediately apparent and appreciated. According to Harrison E. Webb, our first principal, "It was taken for granted that art and drama were to be regarded as major pursuits, comparable in importance to Latin, mathematics and the sciences in academic high school".

Some of our esteemed graduates include singers Sarah Vaughn, Melba Moore and Connie Francis. Our alumni also include jazz artists Wayne Shorter and Woody Shaw, Philadelphia Orchestra member Seymour Rosenfeld, music directors Mort Lindsey and Charlie Calello, actors Taurean Blaque and Tisha Campbell, ballerina Beatrice Rodriguez, fashion designer Steven Burrows, and dancer/ choreographer Savion Glover.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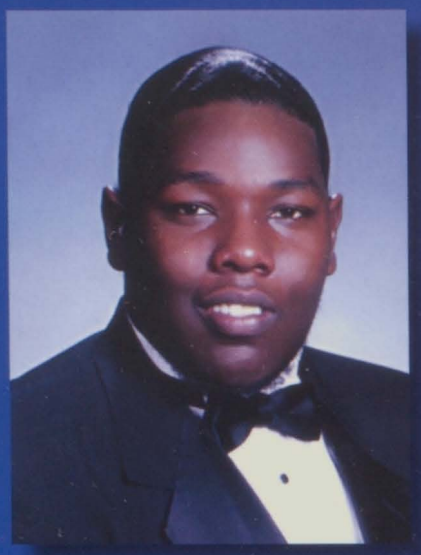

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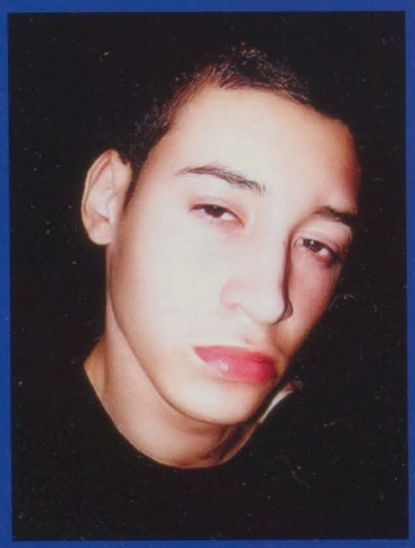

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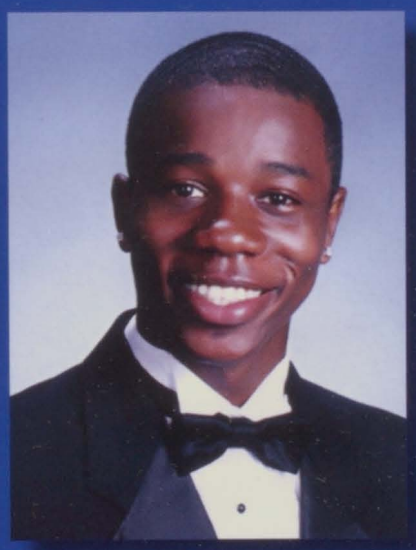


Tyree Barnes

Phillip Bastos

Zakkiyyah Beasley

Daud Abdus-Sabur Succeed by any means necessary.

Jessica Alicea: I didn't come to AHS to make friends or to hate on anyone. I came to learn. I may not know many of the people I am graduating with, but I will miss everyone. XOXOXO

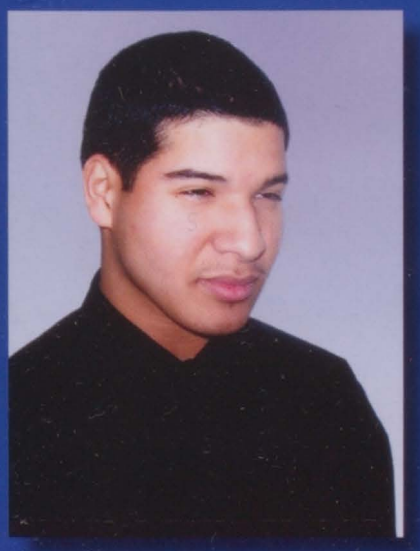
Zakkiyyah Beasley: "A class that prays together stays together". Congratulations '07'! I wish you the best of luck in the future.

Tiffanie Baine: Ten years from now it won't matter if you were popular in high school, how you looked, or what you wore. All that will matter is what you make of yourself. See you around class of "07" in the corporate office or sweeping the streets.

Tyree Barnes: We don't deal with things the way they are... we deal with them the way we are!!!

Philip Bastos: "You only get one shot. Do not miss your chance to blow 'cause opportunity comes once in a lifetime." (Eminem)

Chloe Bey: Throughout my four years here at Arts High, I've been through a lot. But, I would like to thank my friends and my teachers for helping me overcome the obstacles that I have encountered. I love you guys and I'm going to miss you.



Kenny Benavides

Marilyn Bermudez

Chloe Bey

Kalima Billups: "To my favorite senior class: We laughed together and we cried together. And as we depart from this fantasy situation, I wish you all the best. Next stop: THE REAL WORLD! A place where smiles aren't always sincere and when you guys feel insecure, know that you have love. What a year! You reppin'! '2'7

Kareem Brown: "May the Lord be with you forever and ever. Amen."

Amore Bute: I just want to say to all of my best friends William, Chanelle, Sharese, Walm, and Mu; to make life fun and I will always be there for you all.

Cali Burks: After 4 years of being at Arts High, I have really enjoyed myself! I can't wait to graduate but I know I'm going to be really sad when I go! Alumni Day, I will be back to say Hi!

Silky Carter: Follow your heart and remember that only you can set limitations on yourself. Only you can determine your suceess in life.

William Chalmers: At Weequhaic I would have shined above the rest, at Westside I could have been a mess, but in my years at Arts I shined among the best! 07!

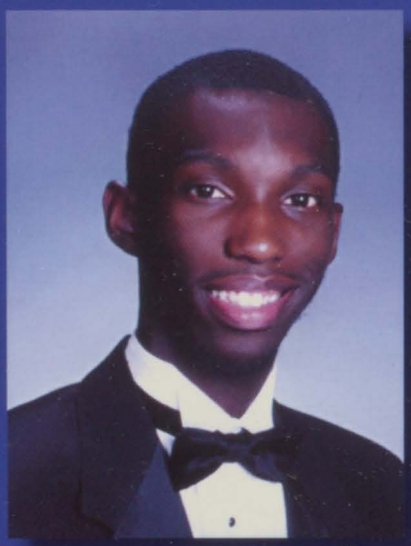
Roman Cruz: What it is!! This is your boy, Tito doing big things... Ya digg?

Yajaira Cruz: My years at Arts have been full of ups and downs; this isn't good or bad, but just the way of things. Nothing ever lasts forever and because of this we have to say goodbye... C/o 07 keep it up!

Jeremy Cobb: Love powers the heart, hate kills it. Love everyone.

Kalima Billups

Jasmine Bouier



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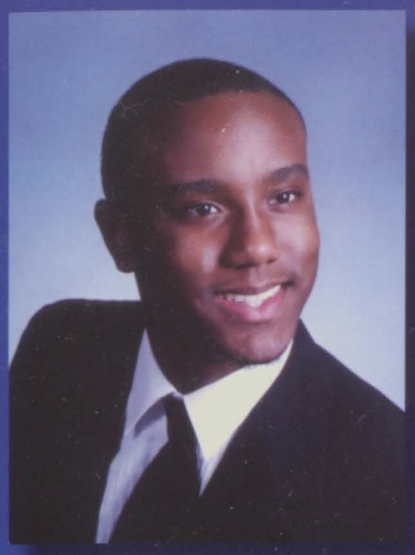
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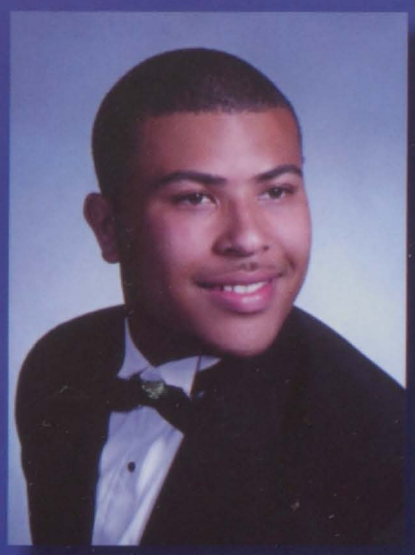
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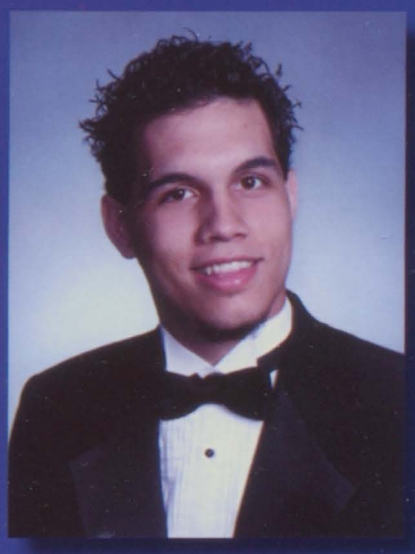
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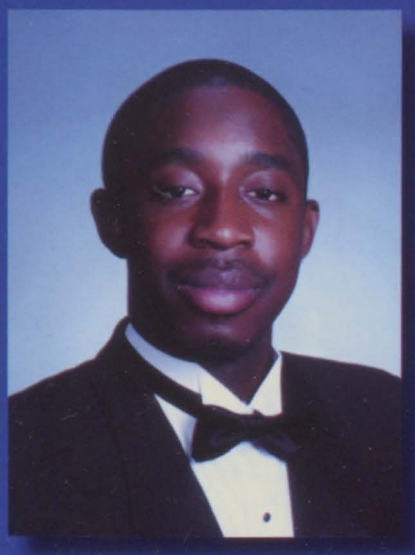
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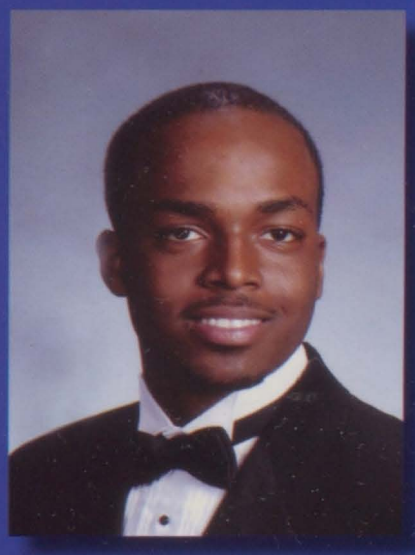
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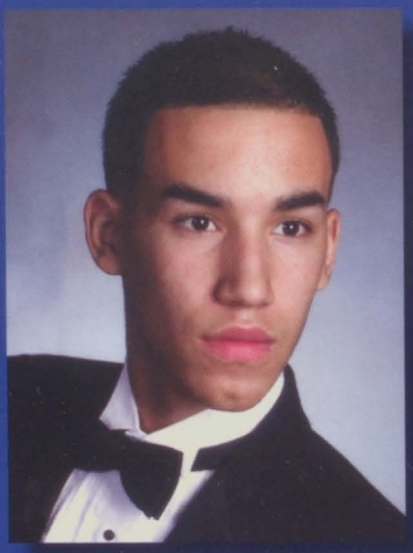
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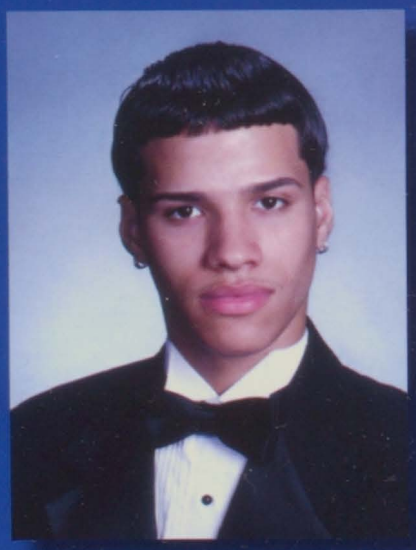
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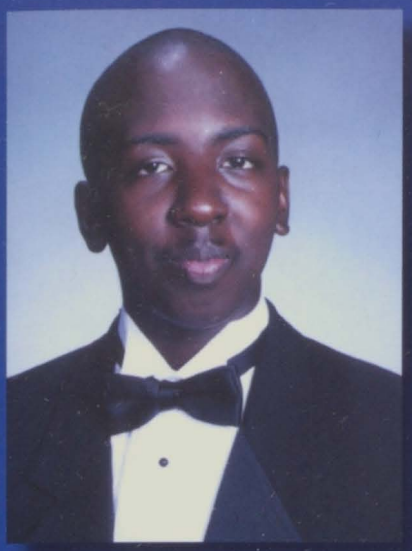


Jarrell Debose

Jathinia Deck

Titilayo Derricotte

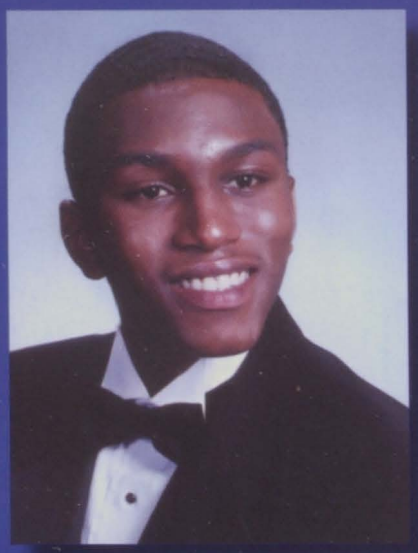
Vinicius Desousa

Wyndi Desouza

Angelica Dos Santos

Steven Concepcion: "Truly great friends are hard to find, difficult to leave, and impossible to forget." To all of the people that made coming to Arts High worthwhile.

Tyceemah Cooper: There's a light in me that shines brightly. They can try but they can't take that away from me.



Kajuan Douglas

Khelli Dowdell

Athlia Dunkley

Courtney Dunnell

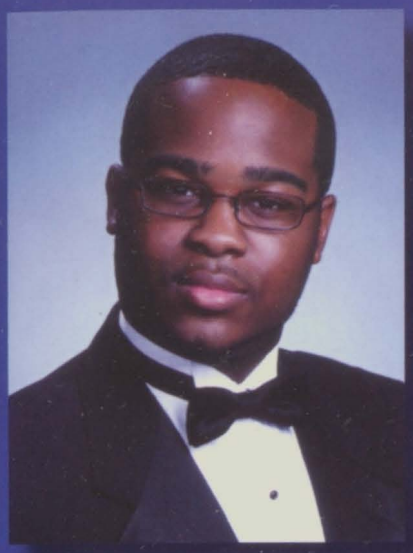
Nadia Durham

Merrilyn Ealy

Jarrell Debose: "Someone that demands your silence or stops you from growing is not your friend. Inside my eyes there is a dream that I want to see the sun." C/O 2007 always in my heart!!

Janithia Deck: "Although you've stopped, the rest of us haven't, so don't be so big-headed to think that the world revolves around you because it doesn't." Goodbye to all and thanks for your love and support on my journey.

Titilayo Derricotte: "You are the leaders you've been looking for." Much love to my class. I know this class is going to be BAD and we all are going to do great things in the future…Good Luck…Peace and Blessings.



Kenneth Ellerbe

Giselle Encarnacion

Wyndi Desouza: High school was like an empty canvas, you created with it what you wanted. And the ultimate goal is someone finding a meaning in what you have created. To my family, friends (Super COOL), and teachers, I thank you. God Bless.

Khelli Dowdell: I was once told high school would be the best four years of my life. It was also the quickest. I've grown so much and owe it all to the great Arts High (especially Mr. Smith).

Athalia Dunkley: I want to thank all my friends who encouraged me in my toughest times and all those who cared.

Courtney Dunnell: W.O.W. I can't believe I finally did it! Overall, I'm going to miss each and every one of my friends and teachers. I would like to thank them for helping me.

Nadia Durham: A true diva commands attention without demanding it.

Merrilyn Ealy: These four years, we all have been on this one Big Roller Coaster Ride, at least we all got off safe. Best Of Wishes

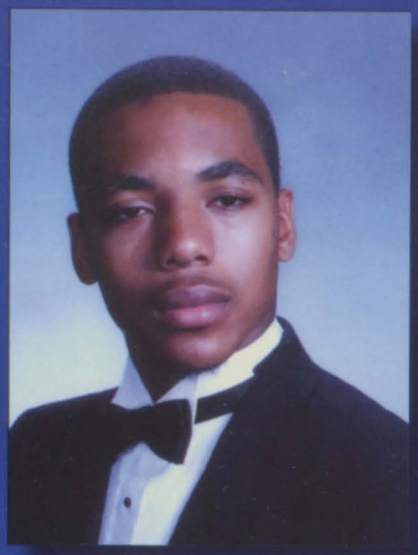
Giselle Encarnation: I finally made it!! I want to thank God, family, and friends. Senior year was the most stressful year in high school but we made it. Arts High was the best experience ever.

Ja'net Evans

Keila Fernandez

Jose Ferreria

Raquel Fields



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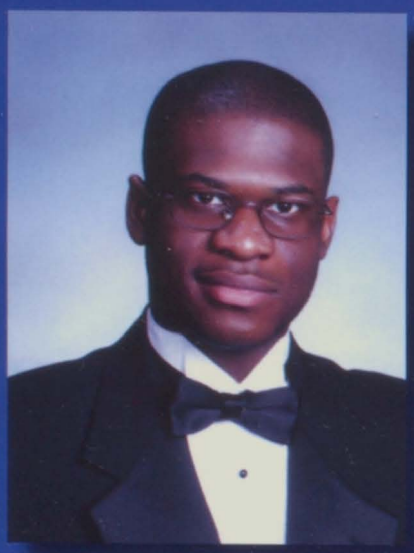
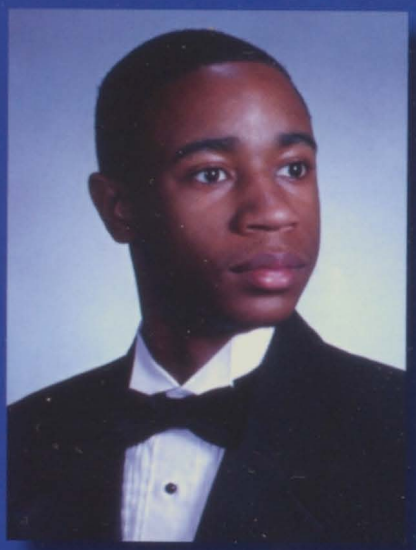
Shania Gettis



Ricky Green

Shawanda Greene



Spencer Greene

Natalia Gonzalez

Rene Guaman

Estefania Gutierrez

Keyonta Hall

Aaliyyah Harris

Janet Evans: You never know what you got till it's gone. To the class of 07, I had a ball growing and maturing with you all and will miss our times together.

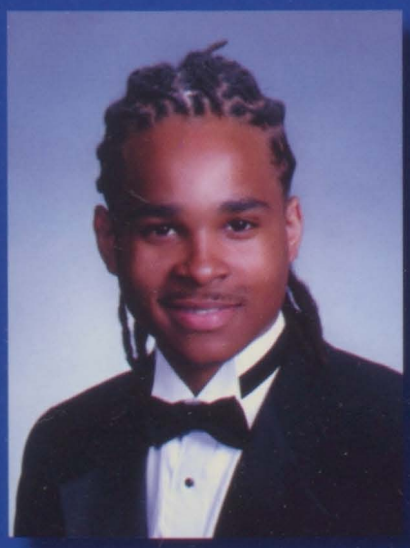
Keila Fernandez: High School has changed me tremendously, both physically and emotionally. These changes have prepared me to face all of my challenges in the future.

Raquel Fields: When life throws you rocks, DUCK! Congratulations and good luck to the Class of 2007.

Shania Gettis: Congratulations class 2007!

Keyonta Hall: We march one by one into adulthood, reaching our career goals and seeking different paths of interest, together, we are the Class of 2007, rising above our imaginations.

Ricky Greene: First and foremost, I must thank GOD for all that He has done in my life. I know that without Him, nothing is possible. And to my friends, I want to thank you for the love and support you've given me over the years. I love you all and wish you the best.



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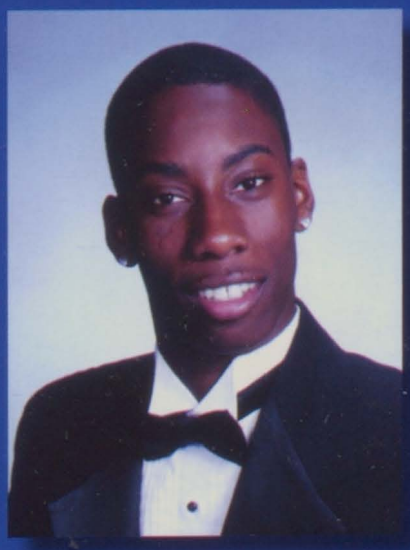

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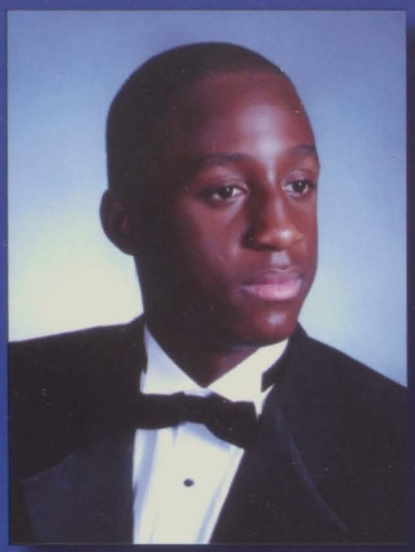
Tiffany Huertas

Flora Inoa



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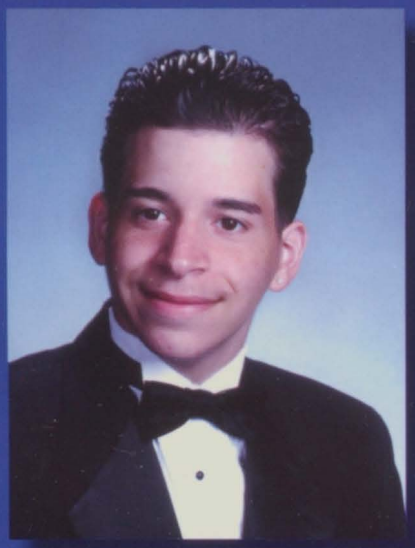
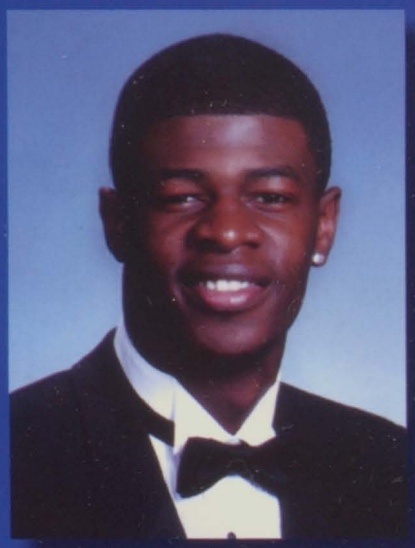
Kyiah Jackson

Adarberto Jimenez



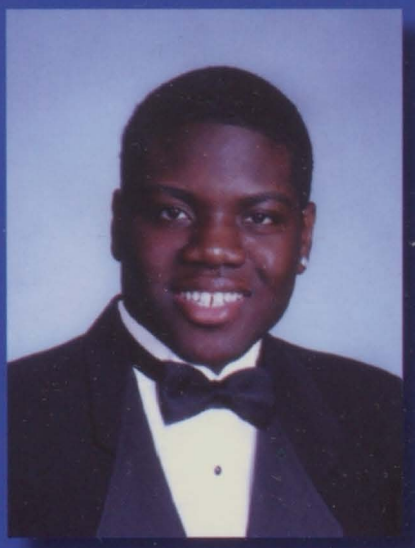
Jean Jimenez

Alexandria Johnson



Evans Joly

Shaquetta Jordan



Yantay Kar

Laquita Kellam

Taylor Key

Natalia Gonzalez: "We have great memories but we must spread our wings, strive and enjoy life without a day wasted." To my high school, I love you.

Levell Hawkins: "Be." Love and peace.

Jahlil Henry: Good Luck to all. Stay strong with your heads up!

Flora Inoa: "Best friends are the family GOD forgot to give us." God luck everyone.

Najee Jackson: I wish everyone the best in the future and I want to say "Thank you" for giving me a chance to know you guys.

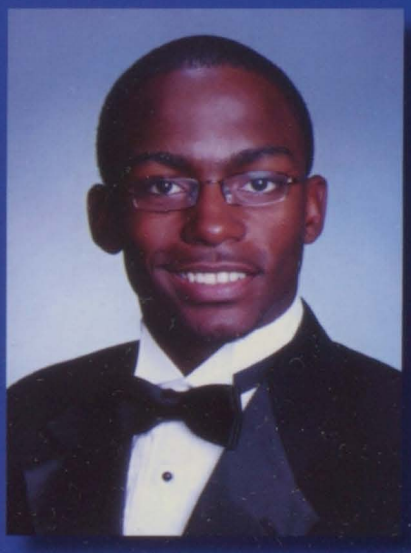
Shaquetta Jackson: Arts High was a really great experience through my four years of high school. Everything I went through made me stronger and better. It's a part of life! Some friends I have here I will have for life!

Jean Jimenez: What's high school without good friends? You guys made these four years worth it all. I will miss you all.

Evans Joly: As I reach to the summit of mountains all my challenges fall beneath me.

Sade Keyton

Jessica King



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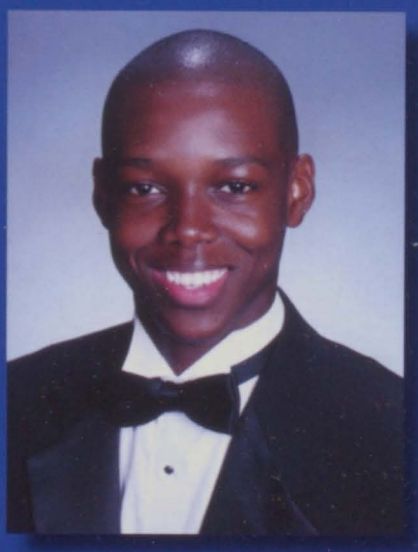


Muyiwa Omisore

Laquita Kellam: My high school experience has been filled with so many moments that have shaped me into the person I want to be, with a few good friends who have helped me along the way. Congratulations to the senior class for making your moments count and keeping the friends you count on.

Jessica O. King: From the beginning to the end it's been quite a ride, but I've met some great people and learned great things. There is definitely no better place than Arts High.

Paul Kornegay: Time flies when you're having fun. To my good friends, thank you for being there for me. Much love to the Track and Field team and to the Arts High staff. Peace!

Stephen McLean: I love you guys and will miss ya'll dearly. "My Lord!"

Katirah Melvin: Finally the time has come to graduate and step into the real world. I will miss Arts High.

Thandecka Nongauza: This school has brought about many great memories for me and all I know is that I can't wait to see what the future holds.

Alnisa Petty

Chanelle Quallis

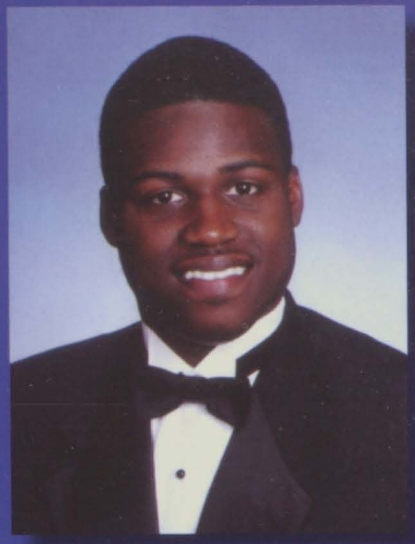
Alyssa Ortiz

Irene Padin

Nilda Ramirez

Reyna Ramos

Sherese Reed



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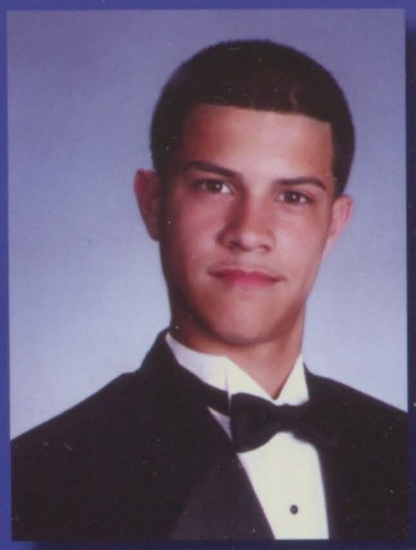

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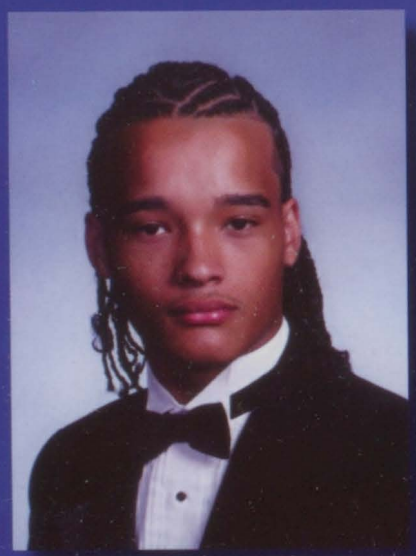
Jessica Rivera



Jorge Rivera

Yaris Rivera

Jennifer Rosario

Artesha Sampson

Stephanie Oliver: First of all, I would like to give thanks to God, who's the head of my life. I would also like to give thanks to my mother for being there for me. And last but not least, I would like to thank my TRUE friends who stuck by me through the hard times. We came! We saw! We conquered!

Muyiwa Omisore: First and foremost, I want to thank God for everything. I also want to thank my parents, sisters and brothers for their guidance and faith in me. And to the Class of 2007: It was fun and I love you all. Stay focused and keep God first. To Ms. Pettiford, Mr. Denard, Ms. Bynum, Ms. Holloway and the rest of the teachers that believed in me, thank you.

Irene Padin: Be spontaneous, confident, impulsive and positive, but remember to make the right choices and not lose yourself on the way.

Alnisa Petty: Arts is telling a story, and even though we may have different ones to tell, it is ultimately our passion for the arts that diminishes our differences and brings us together in the end.

Chanelle Quallis: These past four years have been a ball and I'm going to miss everyone, including my classmates…lol…just kidding.

Luz Santiago

Gabrriela Santos

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Jovanna Spears

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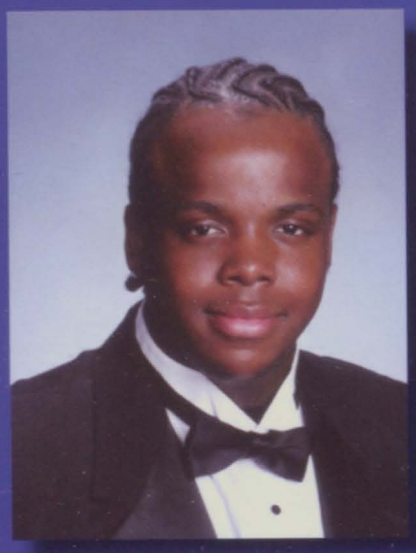
Shanice Swiney

Marissa Thomas



Jamal Timmons

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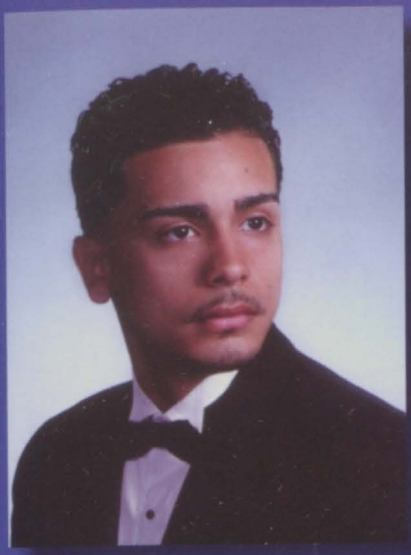

Ronnie Valdivieso

Christian Valentine

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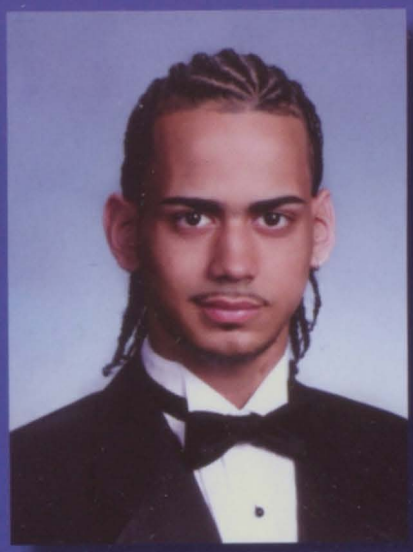
Asa Vaughn



Francisco Vazquez

Tiffany Vazquez

Lizmarie Velez

Sherese Reed: To all my friends, thanks for helping me survive high school. To the Class of 2007, I wish you much success and I will see you again on the screen.

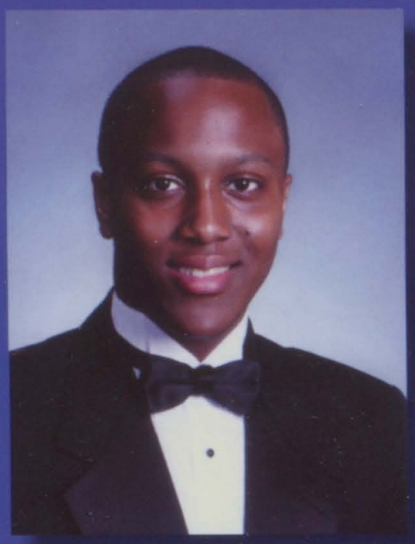
Hahkiem Reevy: I'm real and I spoke everything that I knew. Now peeps, this quote you know is hard, but Word to our God, we got to charge our style because it's just a façade.

Amanda Reid: I just want to say thanks to all my teachers and friends for four short, fun years at Arts High and for preparing me for the real world. I really appreciate it and congratulations to the class of 2007. We made it! Class of 2008, it's time for ya'll to take over.

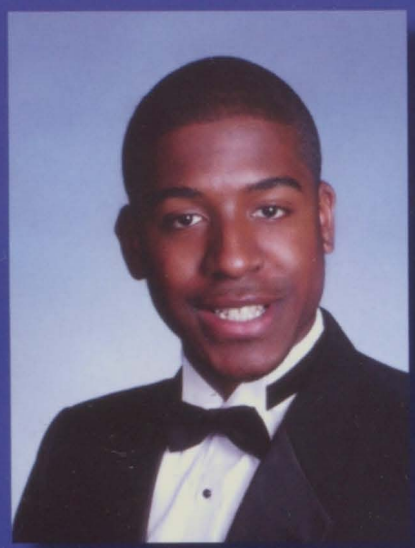
Meleida Vidal

Elizabeth Vizcaino

Raina Wade

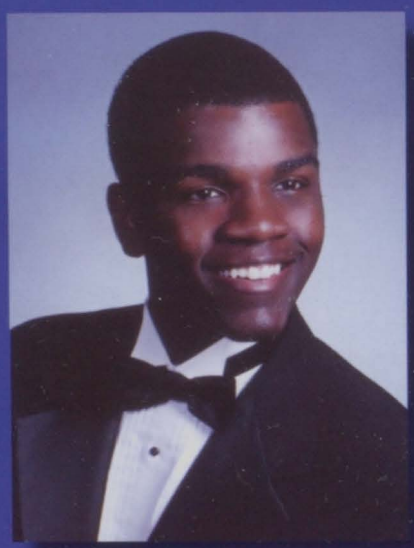


Bennie Wadley



Gerald Washington

Rhonnotta West



Sharrod Williams

Mikaya White

Chantal Woods

Ivana Younge

Nicole Zepherin

Daylegi Reinoso: There are two great days in a person's life: the day we are born and the day we discover why.

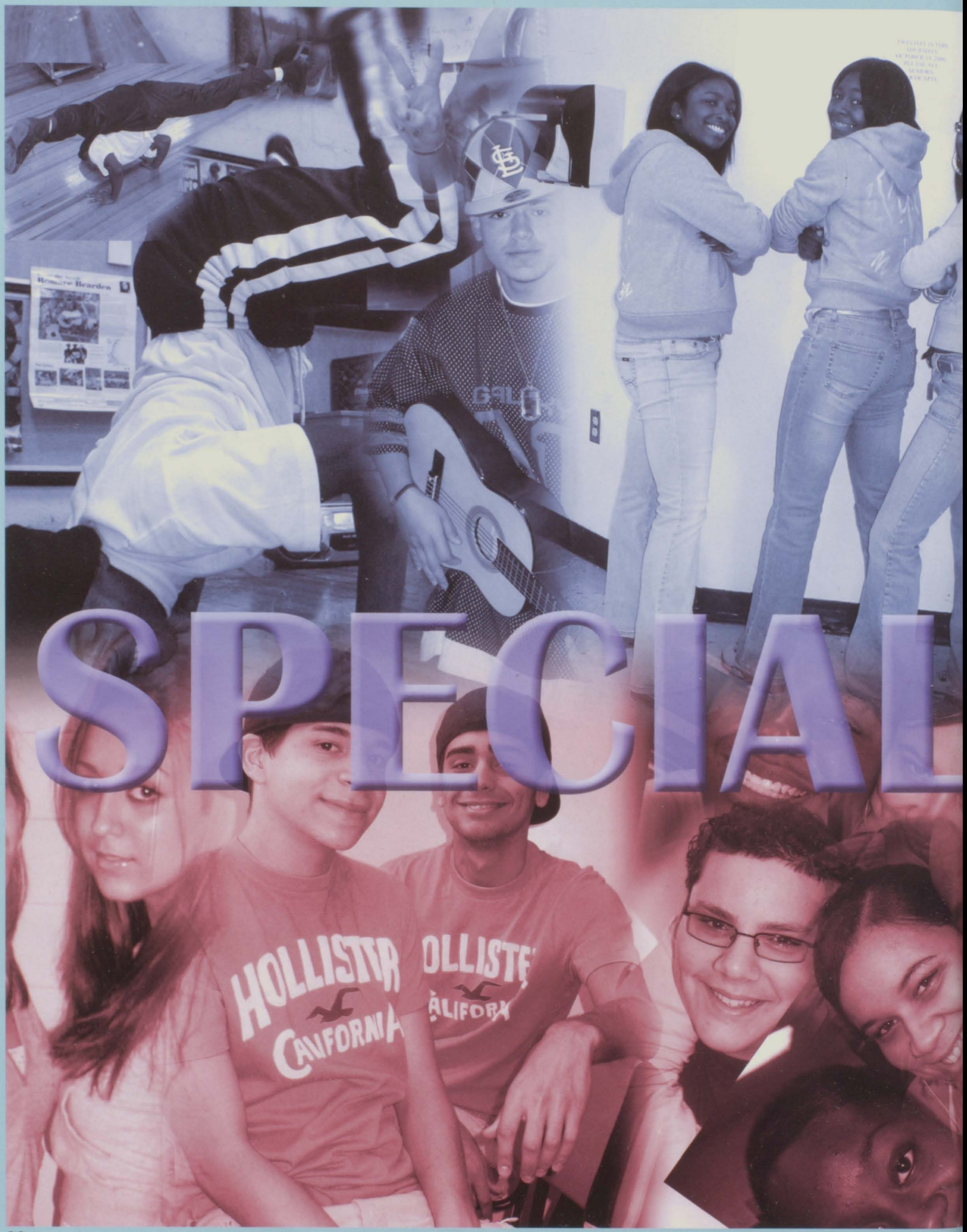
Jovanna Spears: If you can envision it, you can achieve!

Ronnie Valdivieso: It's been fun with everyone. We had some hard times and some good times. Have fun in life!

Rhonnotta West: If only I'd gotten to know you all individually. Remember, Nottz still got love for you!

Sharrod Williams: All in all, we've all grown by leaps and bounds and it doesn't stop here. Sometimes you have to encourage yourself to keep striving forward. Dreams are only dreams when they're stuck inside your head. All in takes is a little help from you to make them come true!

Ivana Young: "There's a hero, if you look inside your heart, you don't have to be afraid of what you are. There's an answer, if you reach within your soul and the sorrow that you know will melt away." Mariah Carey.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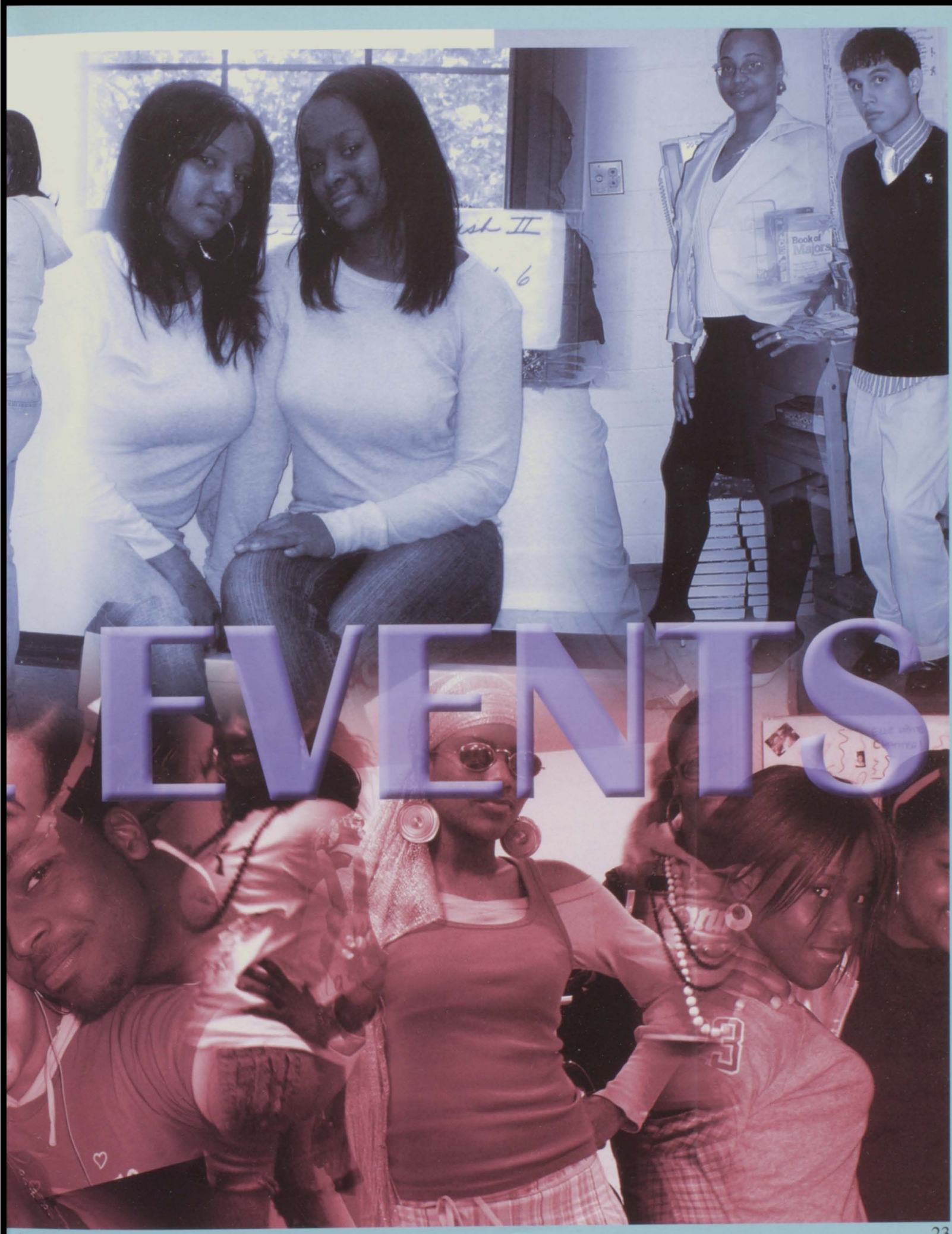
EVENTS
Book of Majors

Happy Halloween

Class of 2007

Double Double
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Toil and Trouble
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Fire Burn and
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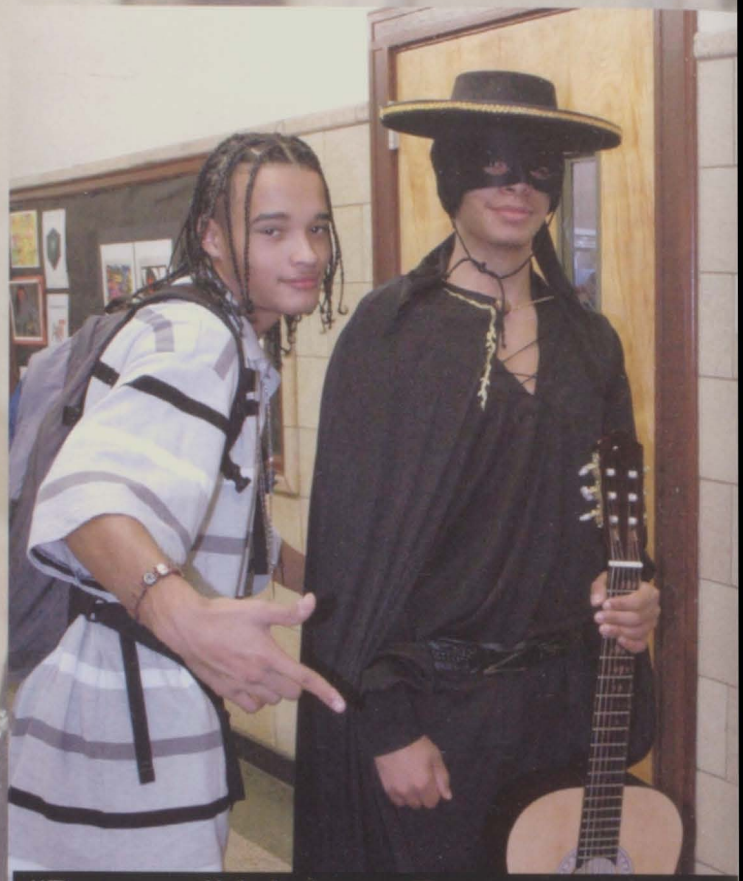
Cauldron Bubble
Cauldron Bubble

U.S. ARMY

"Surviving a near-death Halloween experience."



"Bet you didn't know Zorro can play the guitar, too, huh?"

"Okay, bunny rabbit, the doctor will see you now."

Rewarding Our Hard Workers

"All smiles after a well-performed concert."

"Okay! Who wants to solve for x?" "We do!"

"Hey! We're smart and hot!"

Students listen intently to the speaker.

Everyone prepares for their moment in the spotlight.

Dr. Brown gives some words of congratulations and encouragement to our academic achievers.

"Sharing a moment to celebrate our achievements!"

The Arts High Honor Roll students come forward to collect their rewards!

A picture of our future superstars.

Twin Day

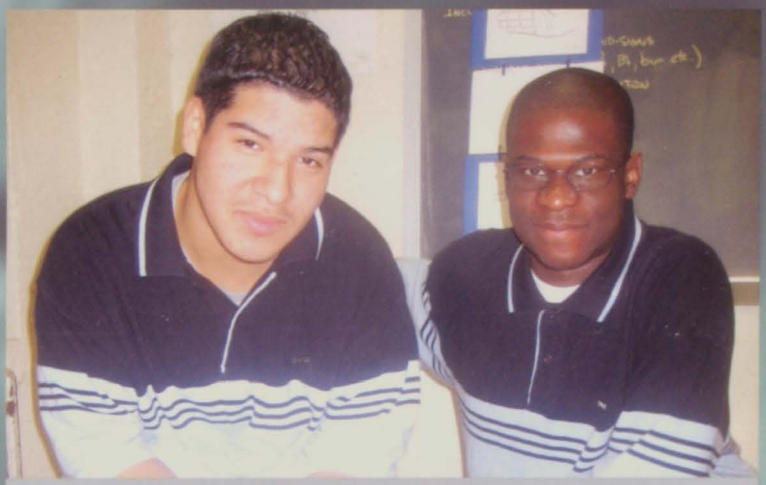
"Uh oh! Double trouble!"

"We're gonna make you an offer you can't refuse!"

"We've got double vision at Arts High!"

"Two for the price of one!"

"Fraternal twins are the hotness, too!"



"Awww, aren't they cute?'

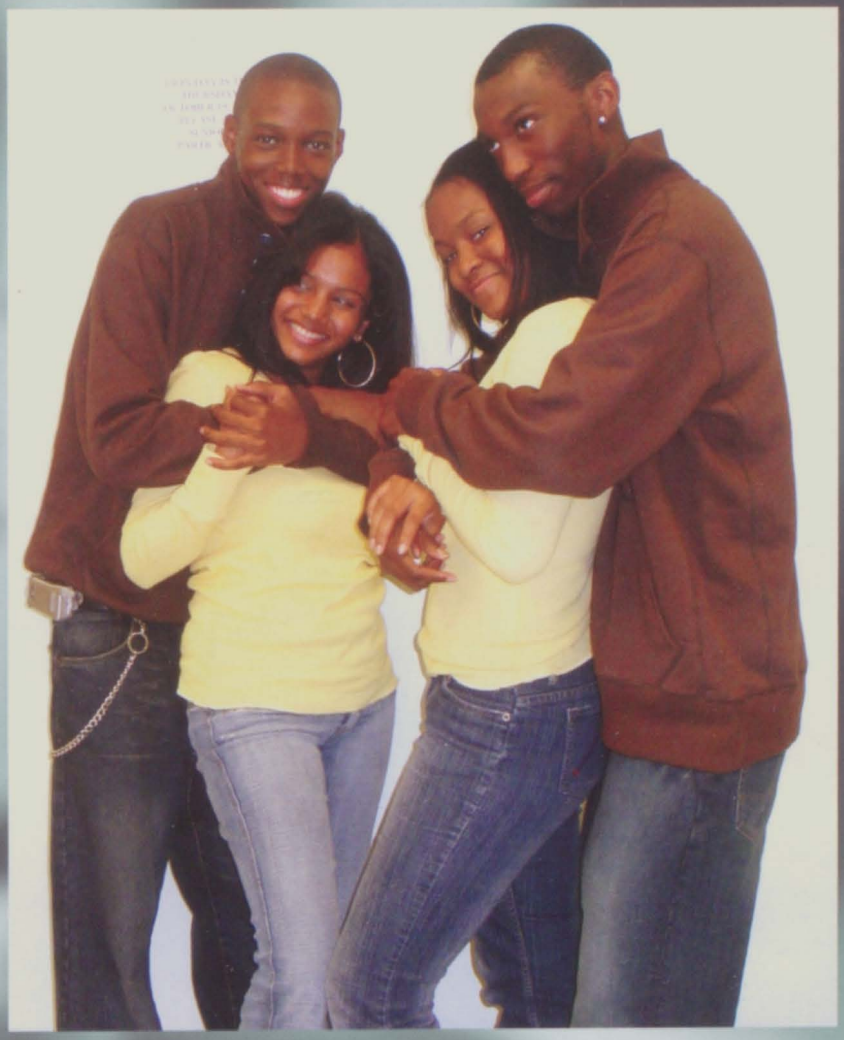
"Flora and Yajaira are pretty in pink!"

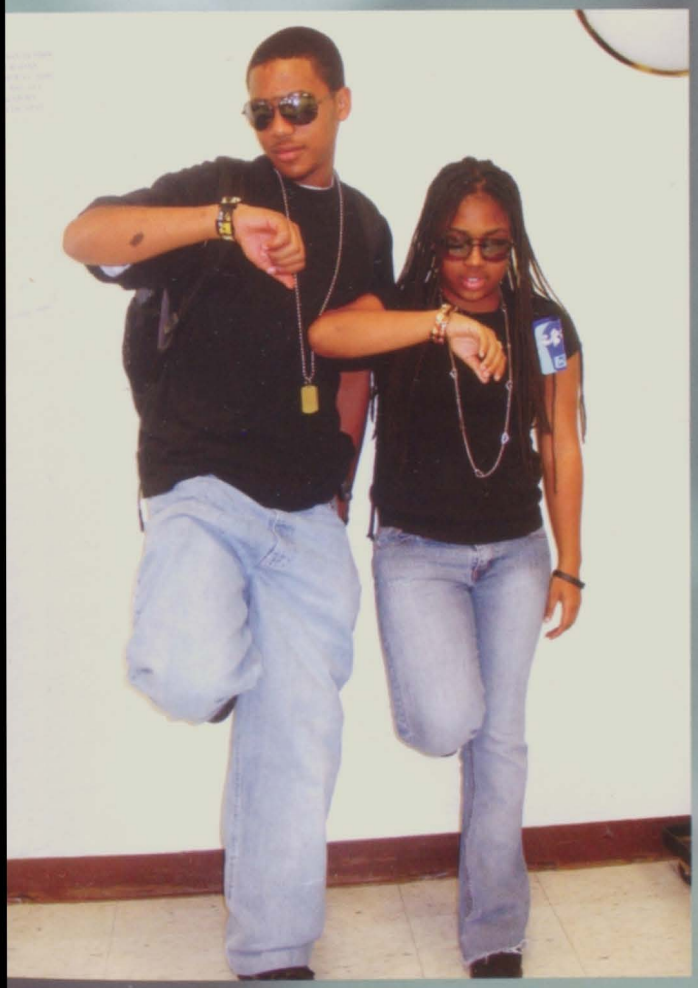
"First I saw doubles! Now I see three!"

"Two blue belles of the ball."

"Chillin' in the cafe."

"Stephen and Chavis take the button up to a whole new level of seeeeexy!"





"Wow!
"Wow!
We've got
We've got
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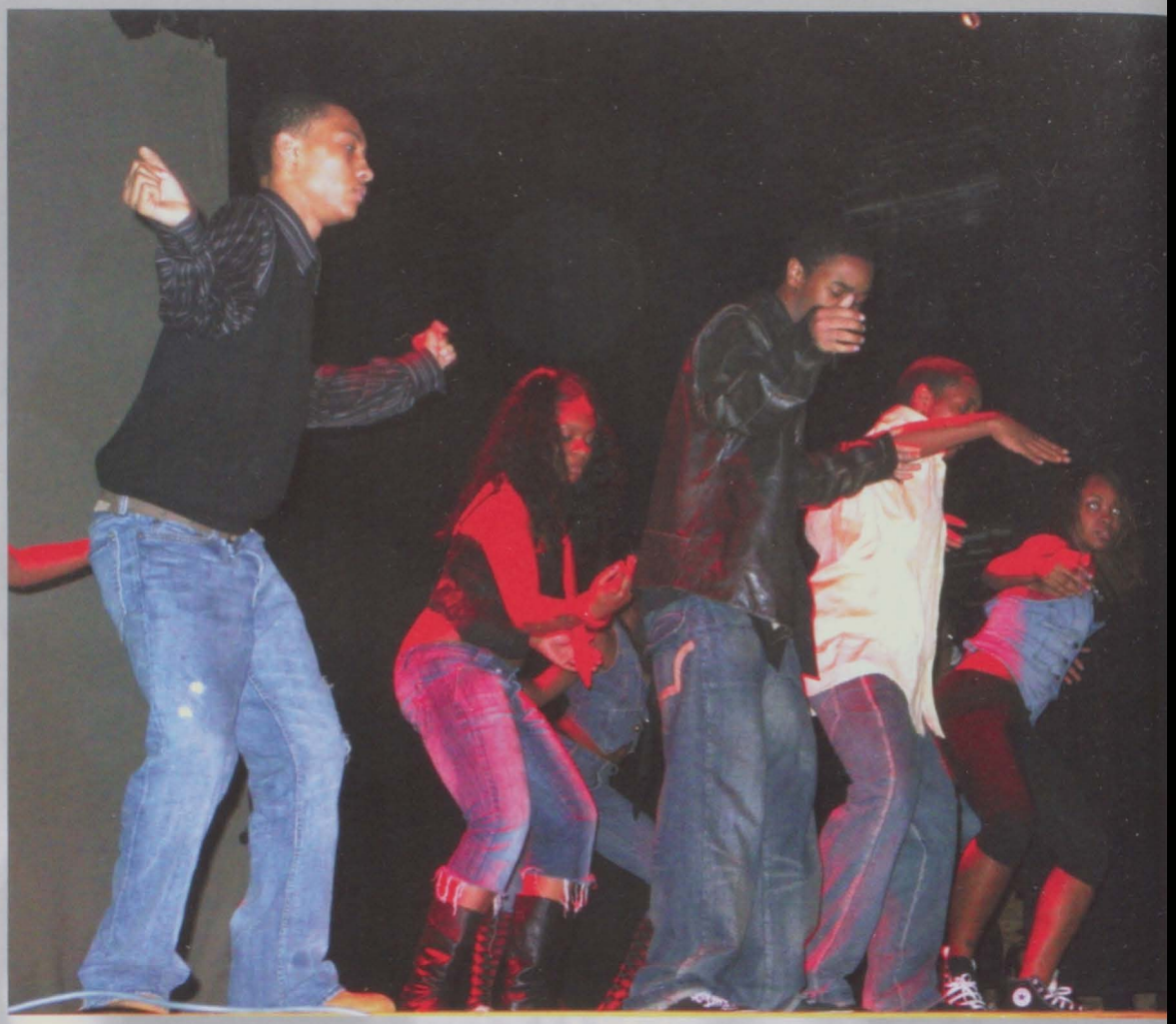
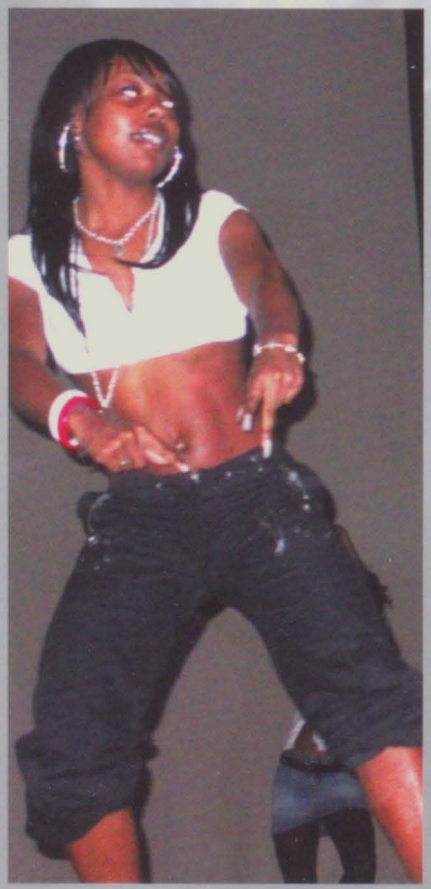
two of
everything!"
everything!"

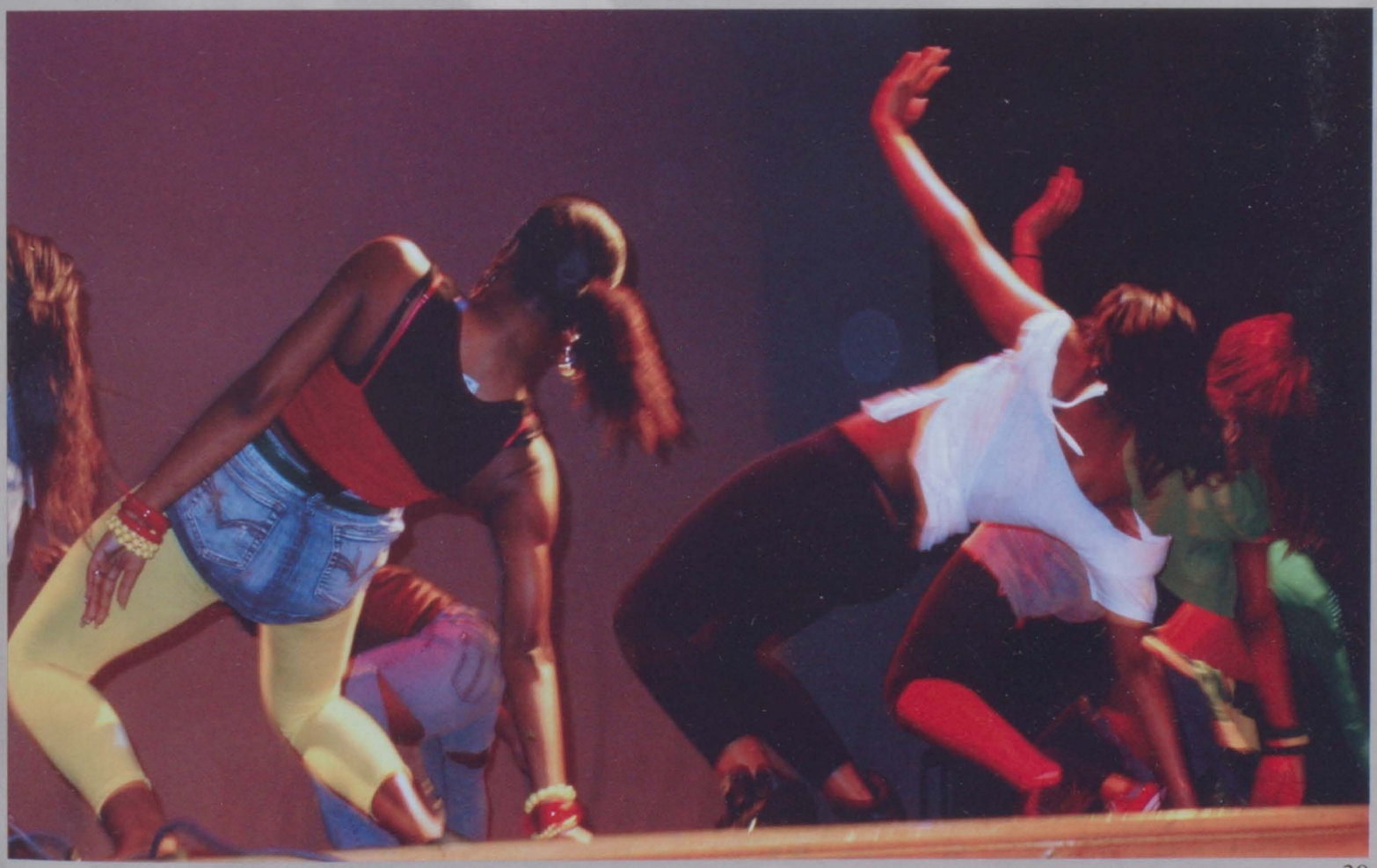
CELEBRITY DAY

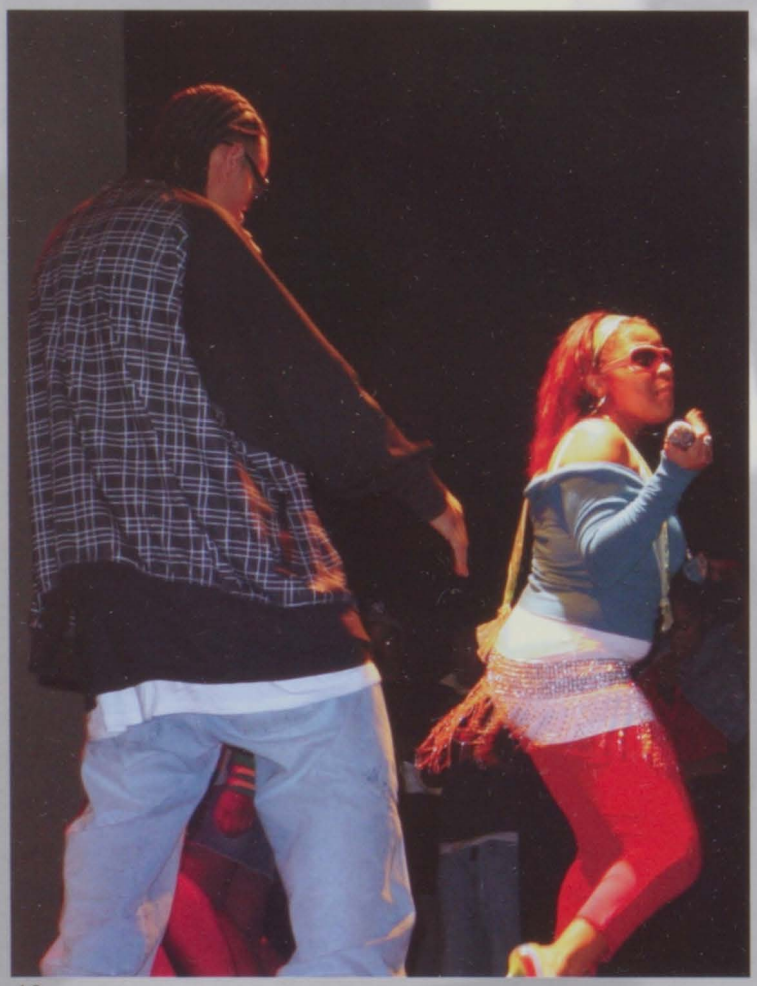


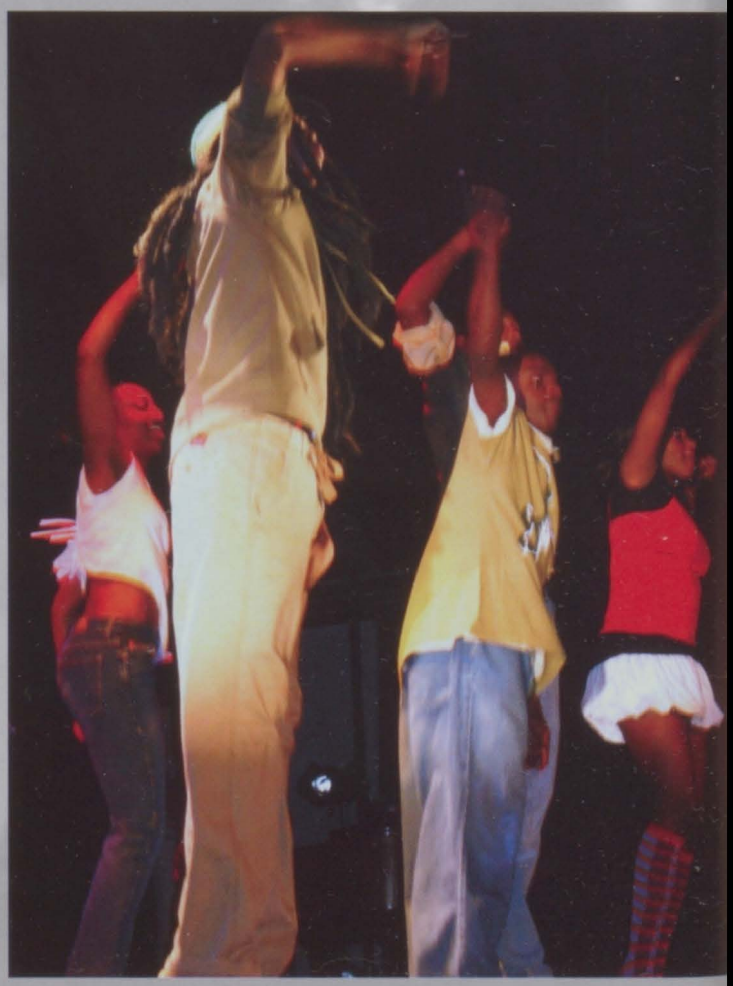


"Ay, papi! Besame mucho!"

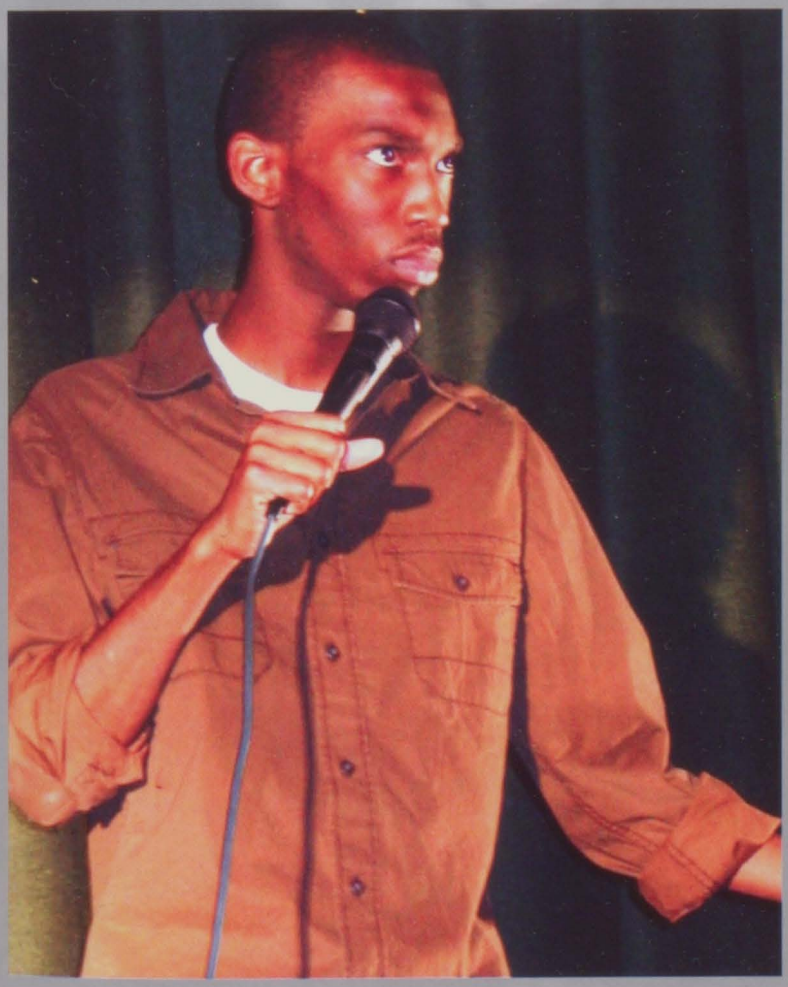
Work it, ya'll!"







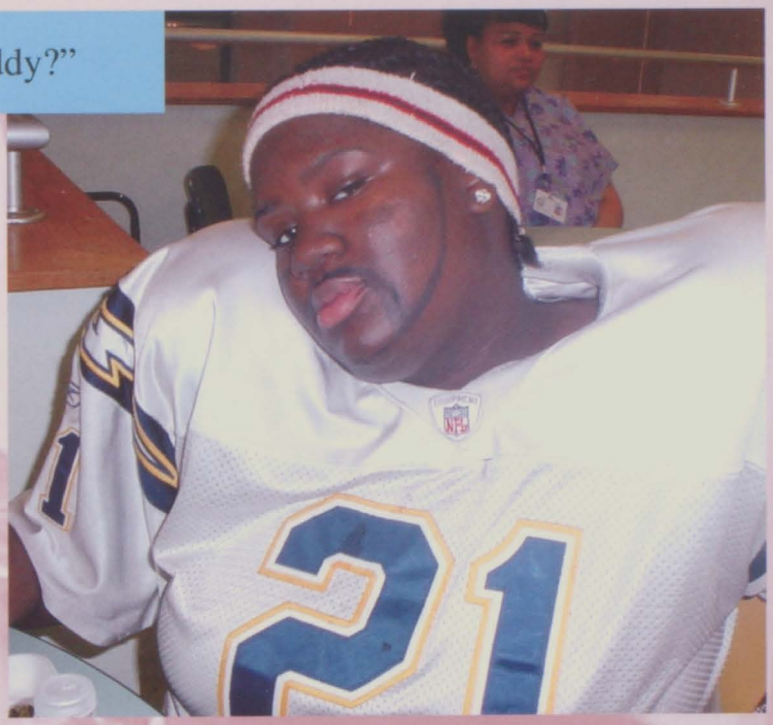
"Dave Chapelle was in the house"



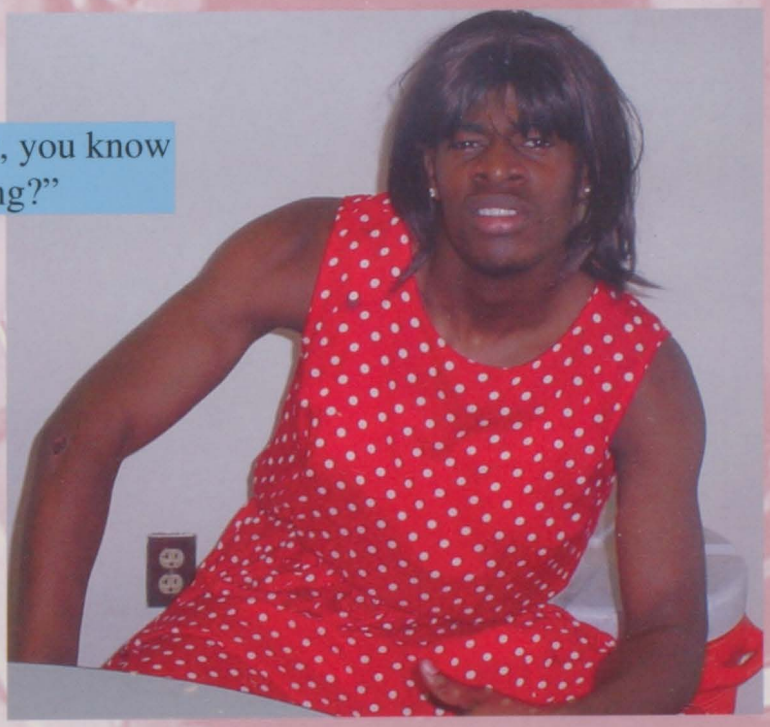
"Papi's rapping hard!"

switch Day Dat Party

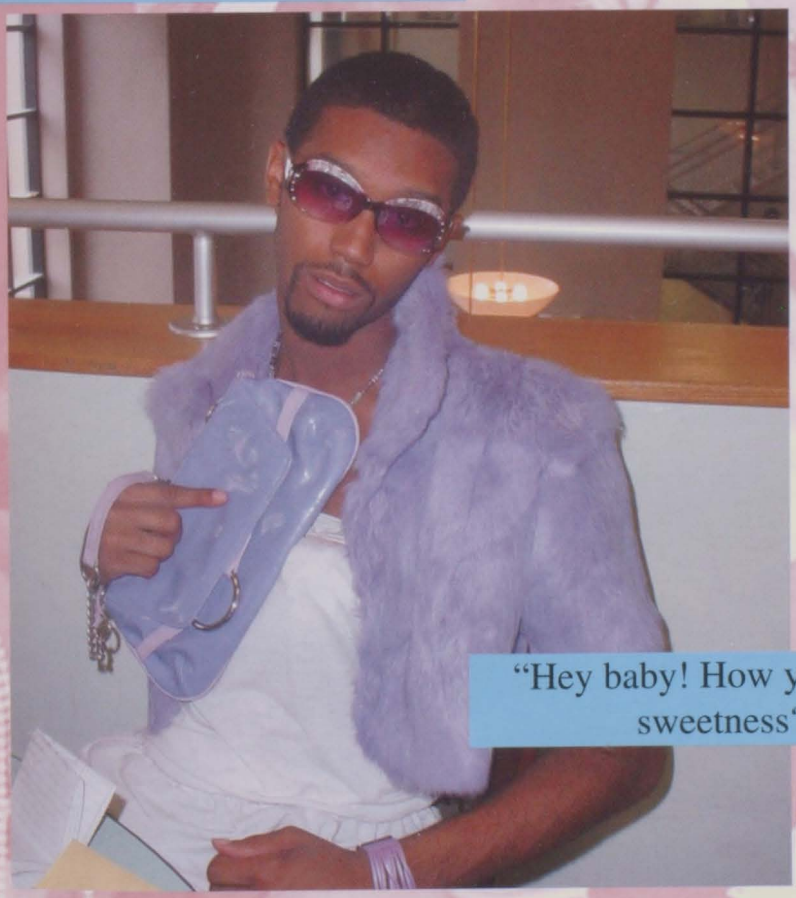
"Who's your daddy?"



"This bra is mad tight, you know what I'm saying?"



Deon is so lovely in this lavender frock.



"Hey baby! How you doing, sweetness?"

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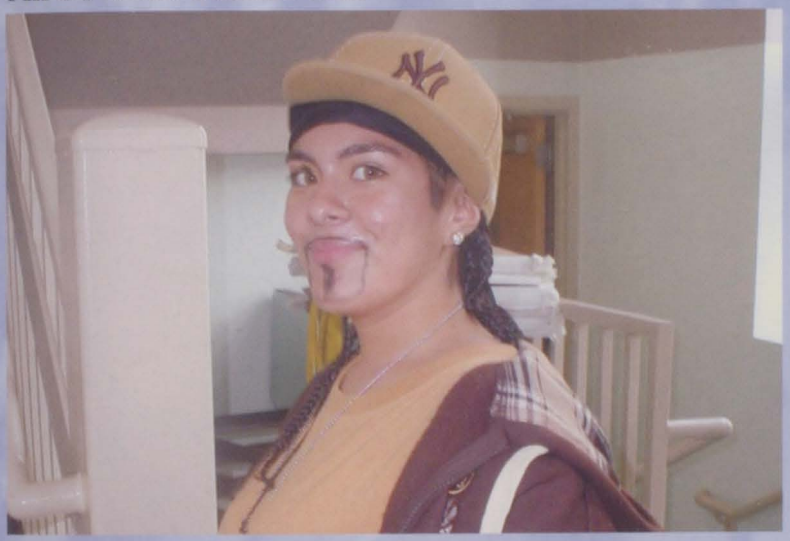
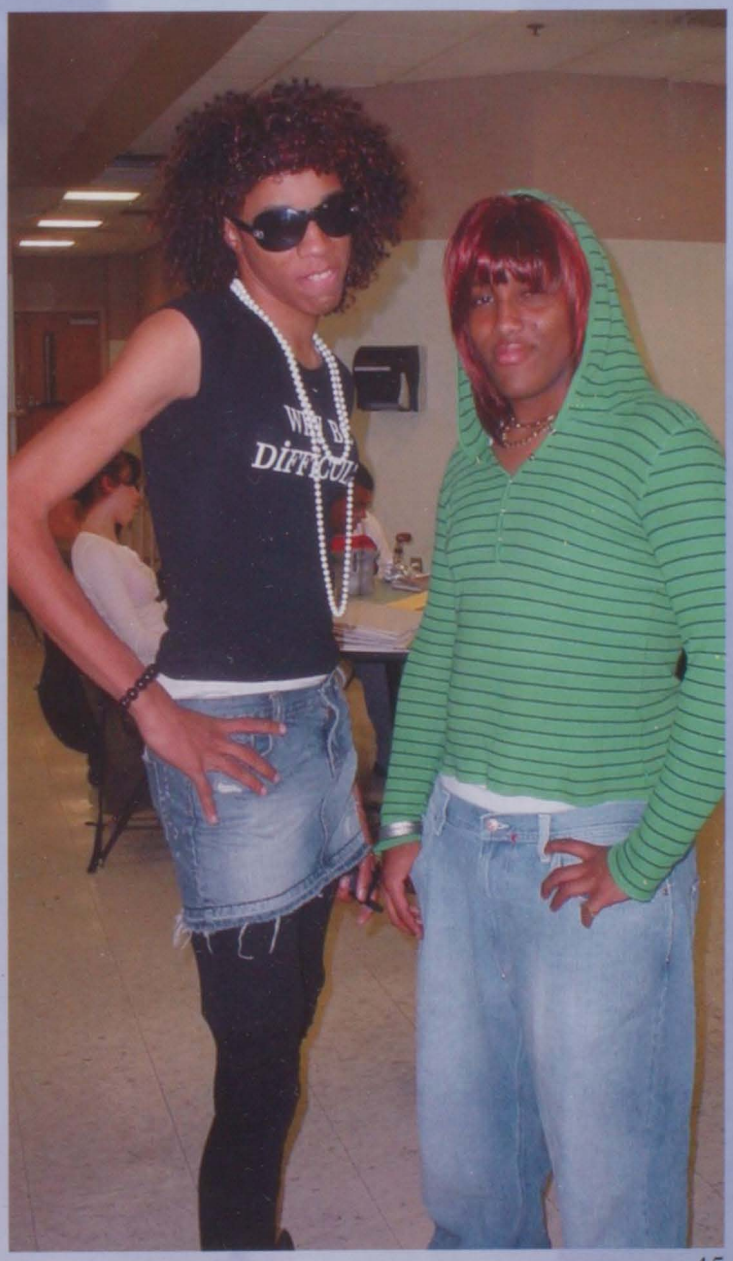
"Sexiness!!!!"

An obvious Yankee fan.



"We're all mixed up together!"

"Wow. There are just no words…"

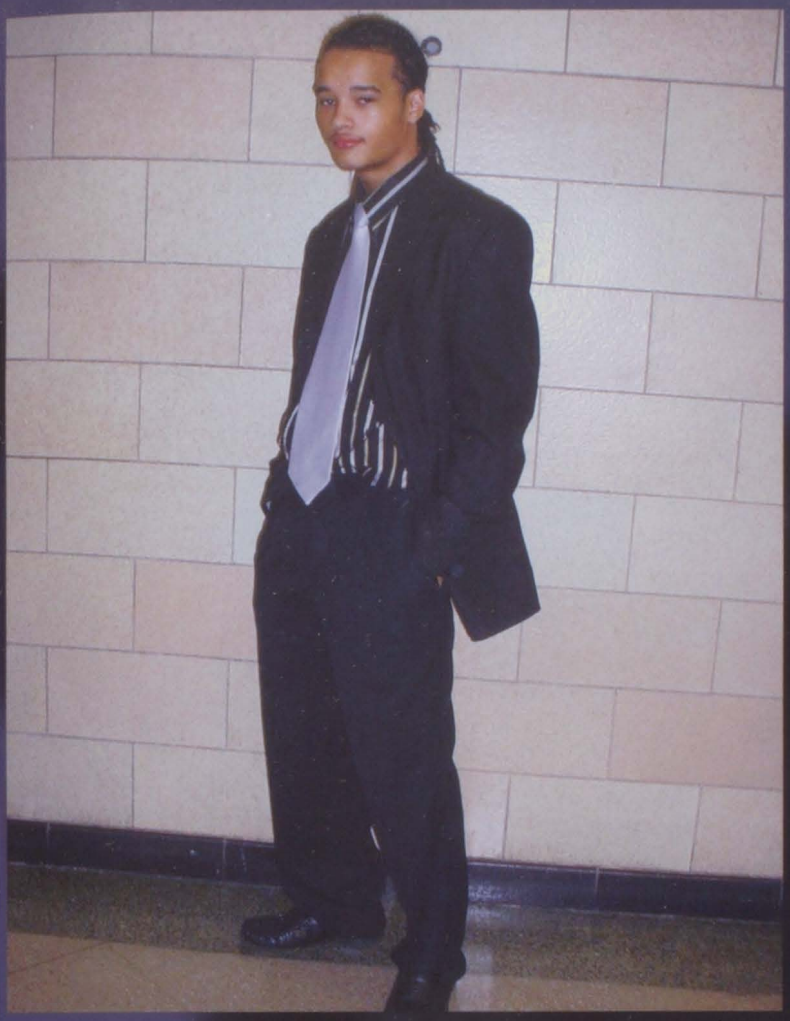


Professional Day

"I'm ready for that interview!"

"Dressed for success."

"Look out world, here comes the triple threat!"



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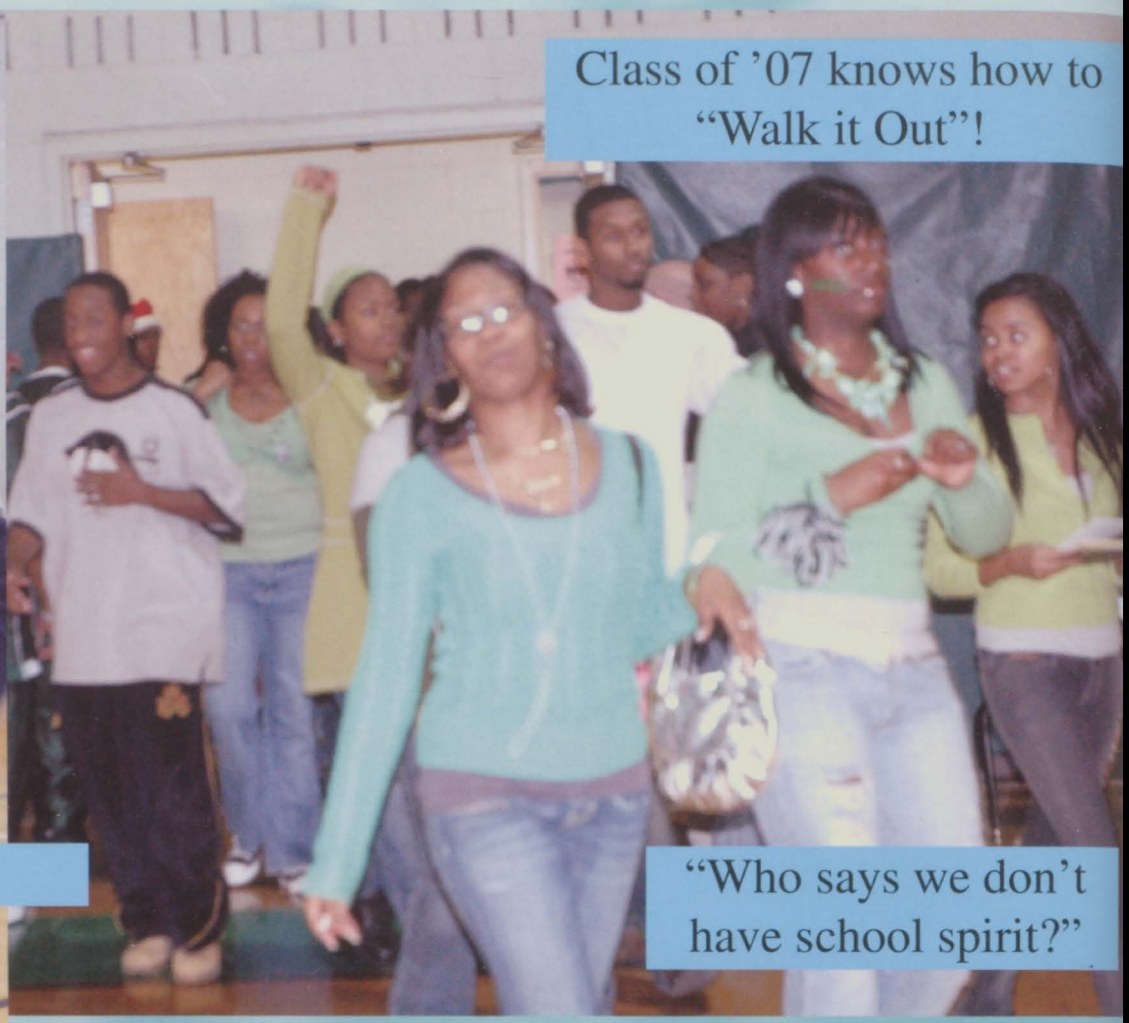
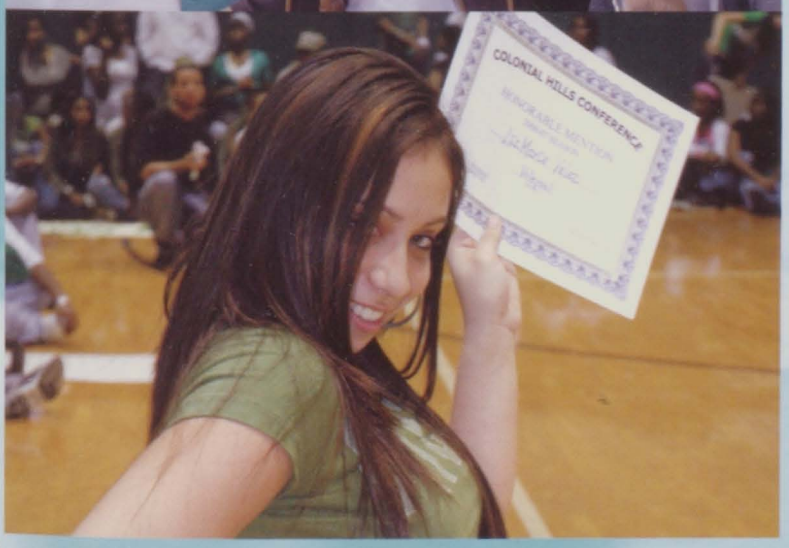
Arts High students epitomize class and are ready to take on the world.

"I am da bomb!"



Class of '07 knows how to "Walk it Out"!

"Who says we don't have school spirit?"



The pep Rally

The Class of 2007 makes a triumphant and jubilant entrance into the Pep Rally.

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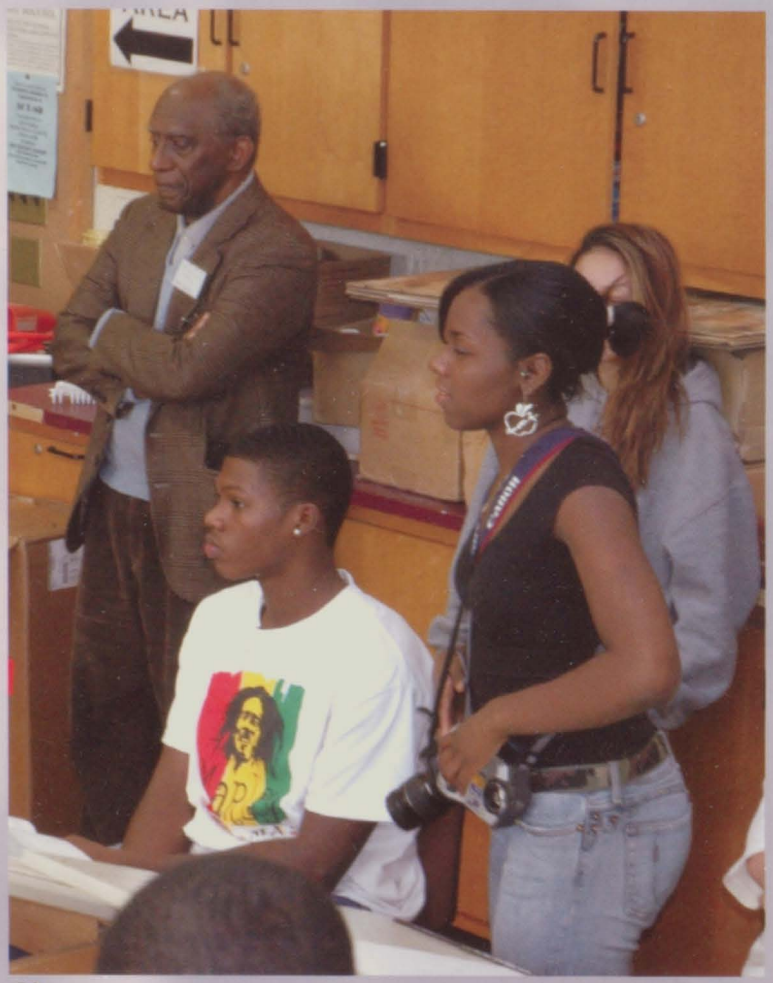

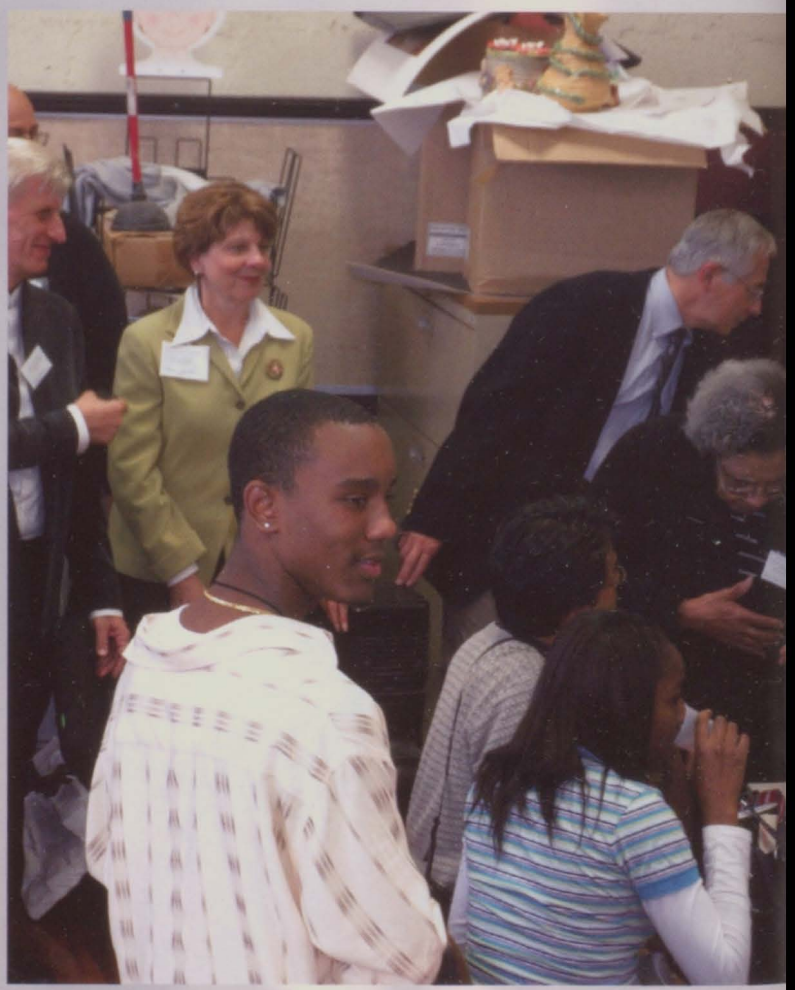

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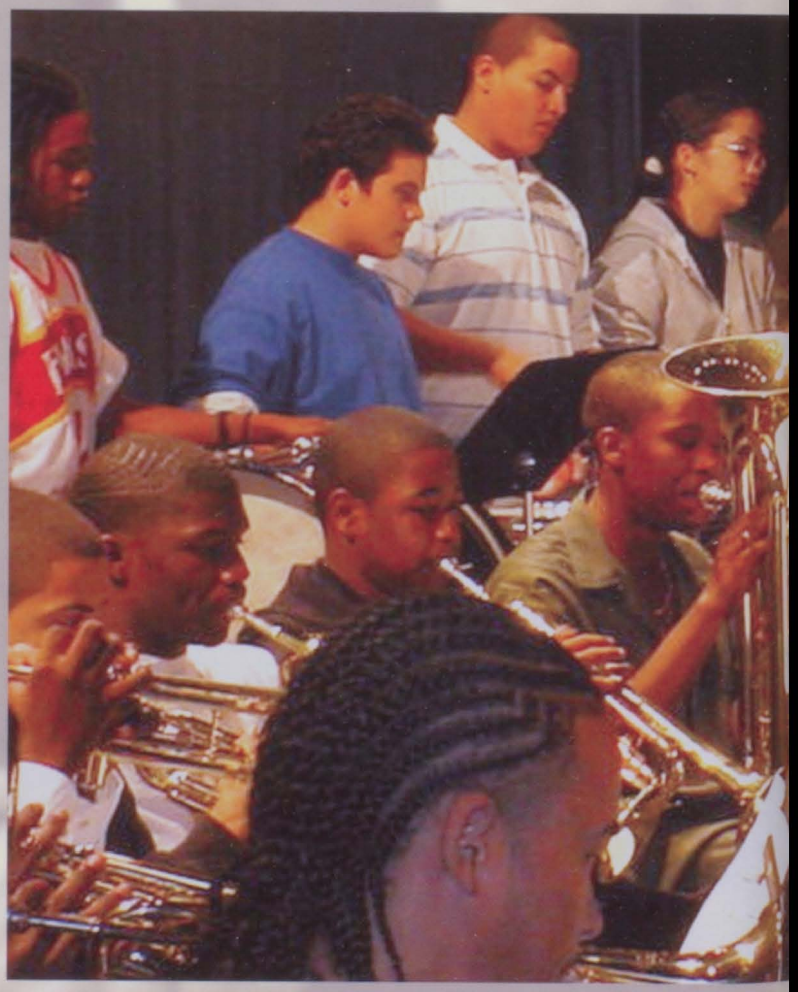

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Flash Me Back

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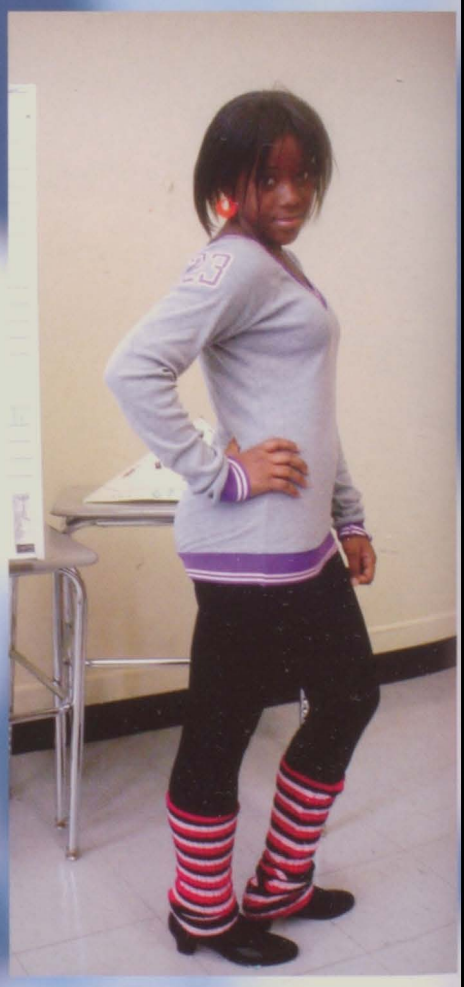
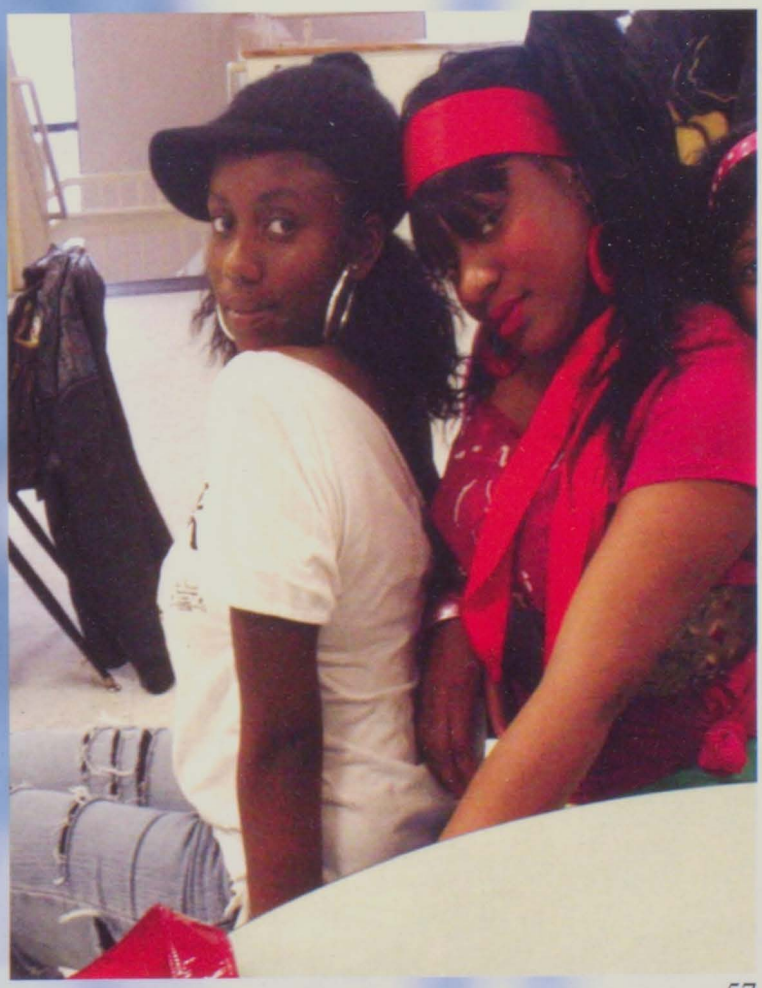
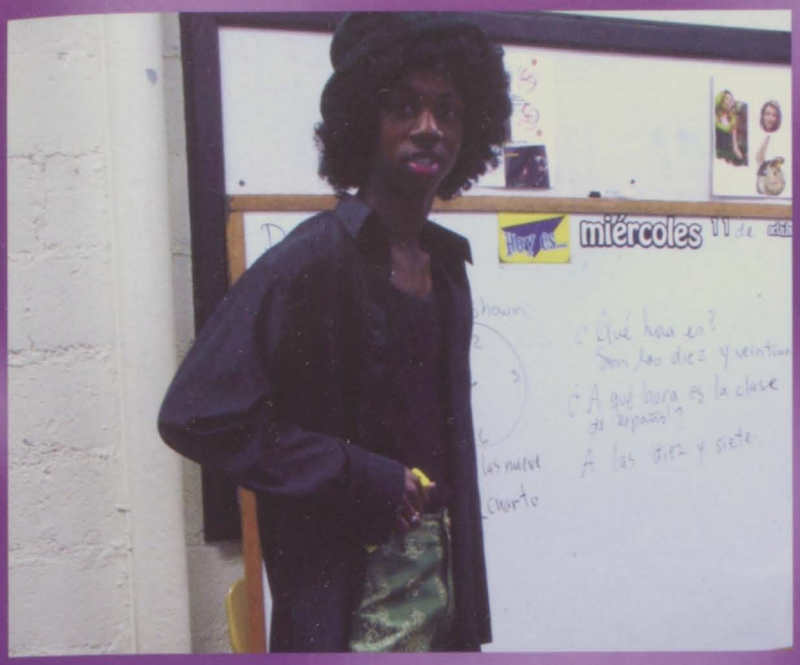
"We're going back, ya'll, way back, ya'll!"





"The class of '07 takes in back to the old, time way. Funky! Cool! Sweeeeeeetness!"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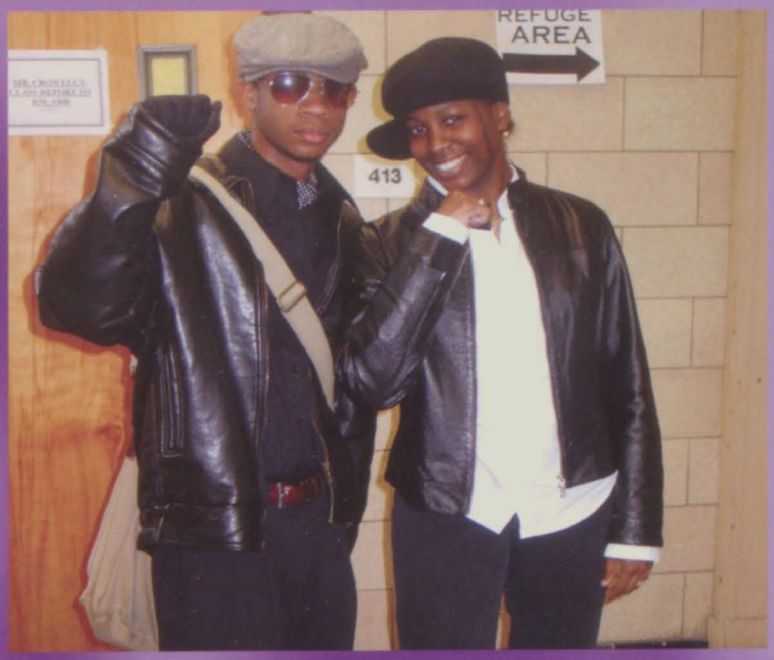
A las diez y siete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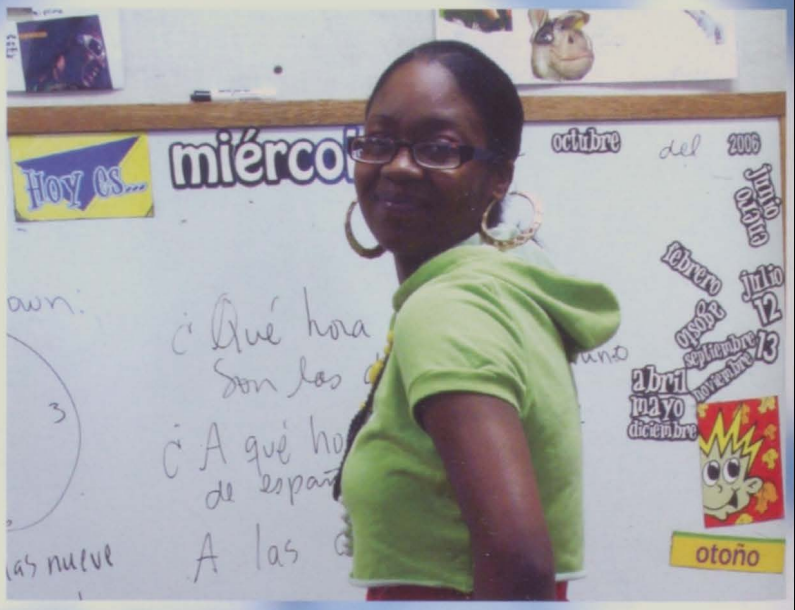
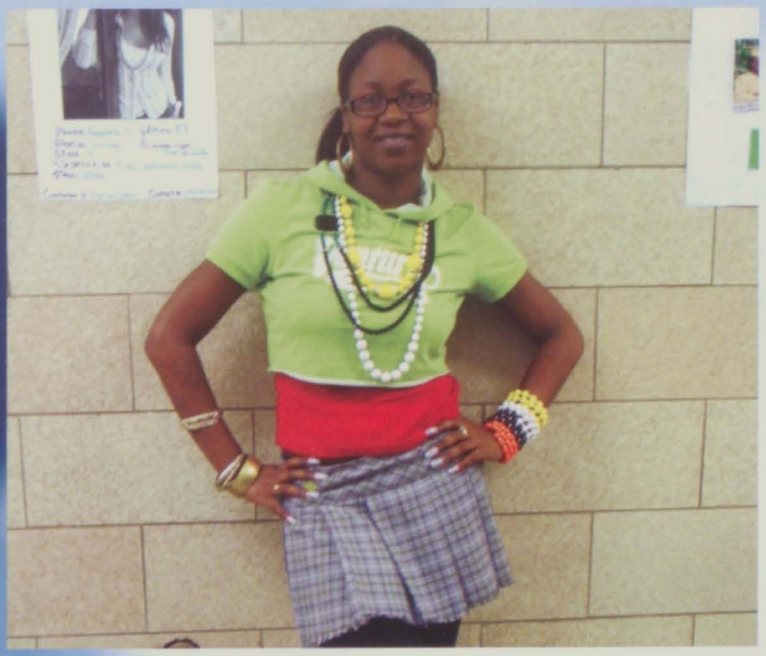
"C/O '07 represented the 60's, 70's and 80's with flair."





ENDLESS

We The People

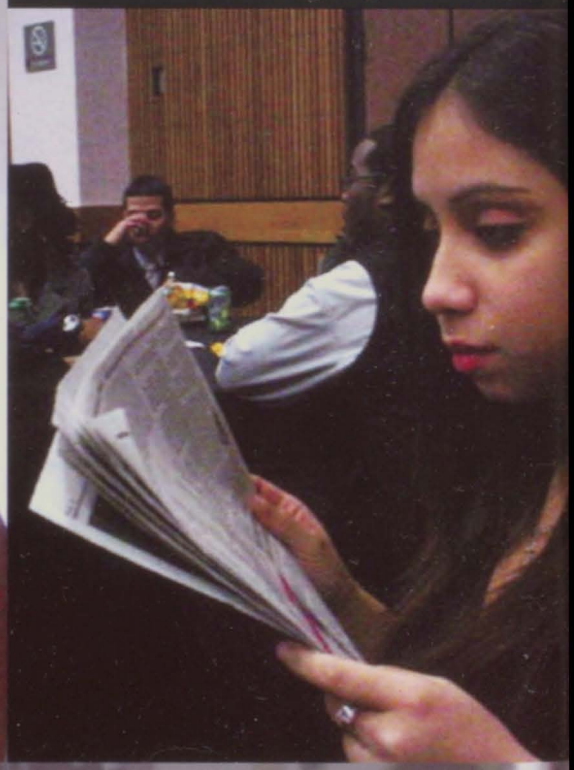
Arts High represented in this year's We the People Competition.

Congratulations!

We The People

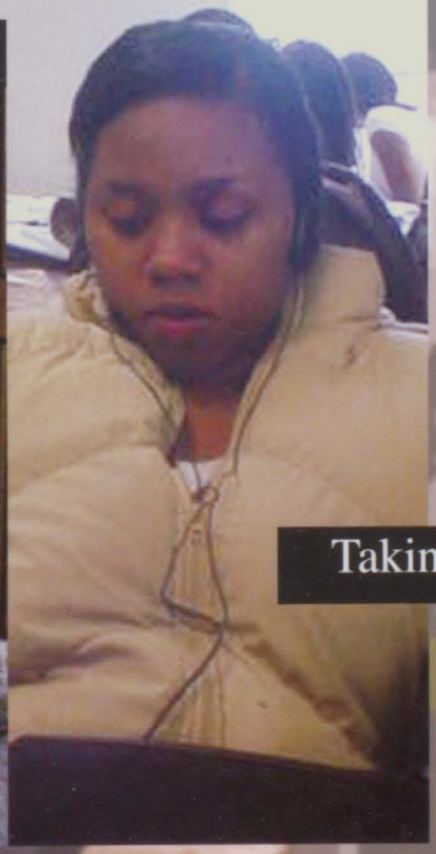
Time to take a short break and savor the moment.

Catching up on some



Team photo!

current events.



Taking some time to focus before competing.

Confused Life
By Marques-Aquil Lewis

A confused life is what I live because it is like since you've been gone, I wish you were not dead.
My confused life cleared up when you smiled, and the way you would make your poetic sound made the whole room go wild.
A confused life leaves a message saying, "I will be back" and I would believe it because I just knew you would return. Dad, why did you leave me here alone while God accepted you home?
Sitting at your hospital bed while they had a tube in you, I was scared. Tears coming out of my eyes because I couldn't be strong any more. It was like my emotions and heart were going to war.
So, I write to say, "I love you."
So I write to you to say, you were right, poetry is real.
So I sleep at night praying to see you in the morning and maybe you would say, "Son, I'm back."
You see, your spirit would make people proud to be black, and help people realize they must give back.
So I write to escape a confused life and that dark light.
So I write to ask God why papa Suli had to go to sleep and not say, "Goodnight"?
Suli, don't go to sleep, I'm not finished yet. I miss the way you would sit in the seat while people would do their piece, you would go to sleep and always wake up at the end and say, "Good job."
But as you lay in your hospital bed I heard you yell six times, "City Champions Arts!" because God told you before we knew.
You see, when I was sad, you wouldn't let me put my head down, and you would say the enemies were the clowns, and the end of the day was the best part because that's when you would come around.
You were my father.
I said you were my father.
The one that replaced the one I lost when I was nine and now it's like I'm losing my father all over again.
So I honor your smile and your poetic sound.
I just can't believe you had to go and I don't know how much more I can take now.
Dad, I wish you were still around so you, Solomon and I could continue to have our sit downs.
That's all I have to say until I see you at the gate, so just save me a spot because the way things are looking in Newark, I'm on my way.
Signed,
Your son.

The Senior Class

Of Two Thousand Seven

Dedicate The Yearbook

To Mr. Sulliman

A Father And Teacher

To All Of Us.

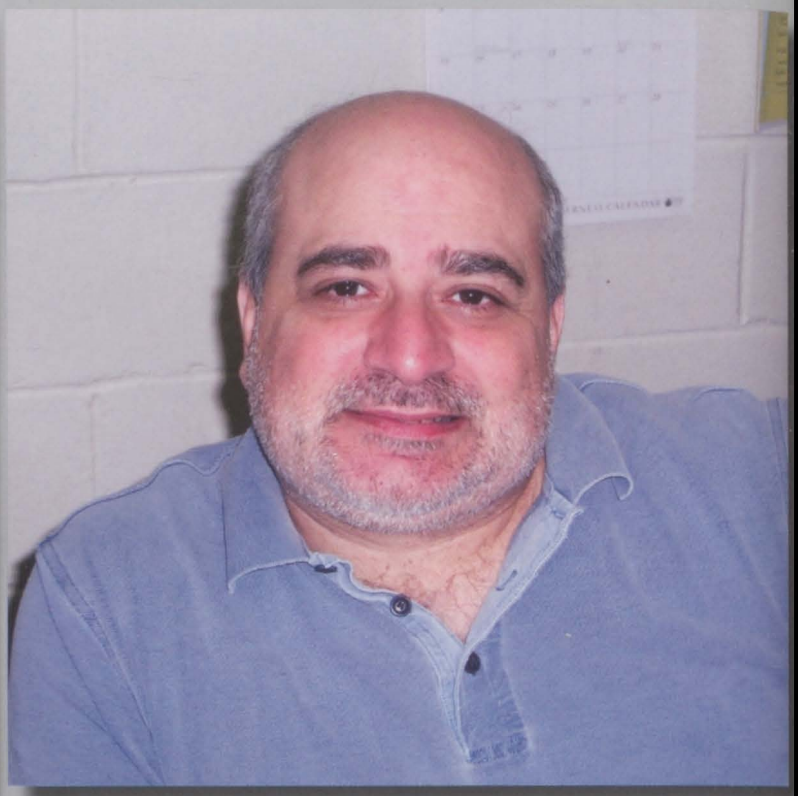
Our STAFF

Our STAFF

Dr. Norma Fair-Brown
Principal

Mr. Ricardo Pedro
Vice Principal

Ms. Leonora Brazelle-Rafua
Drama Teacher



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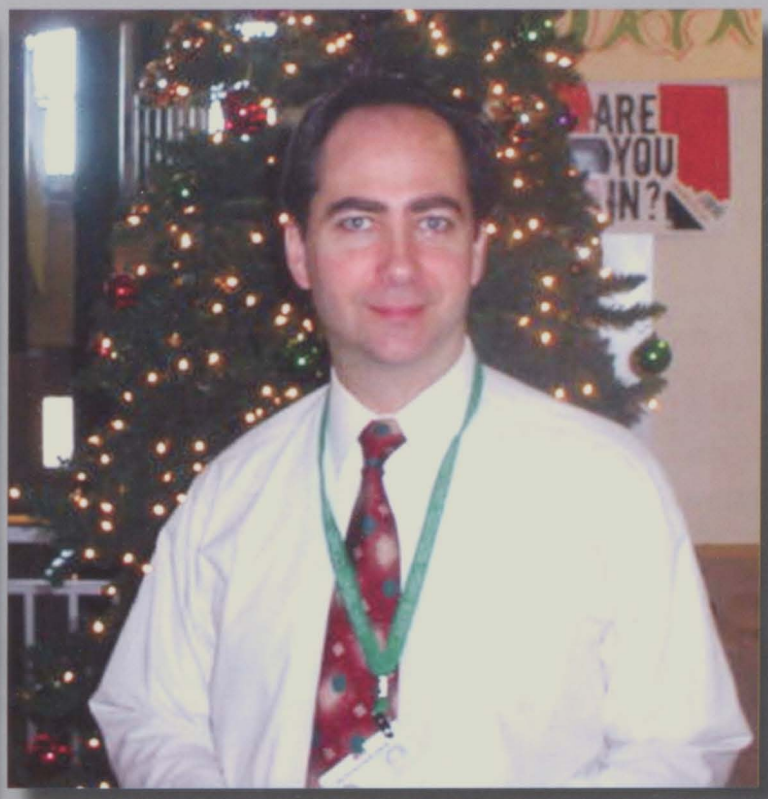

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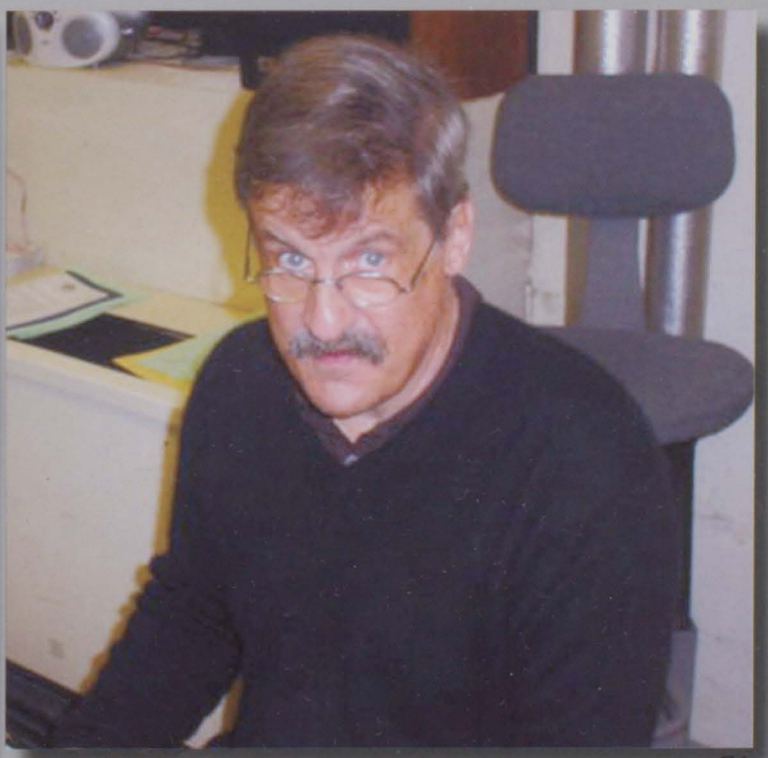
Pianist



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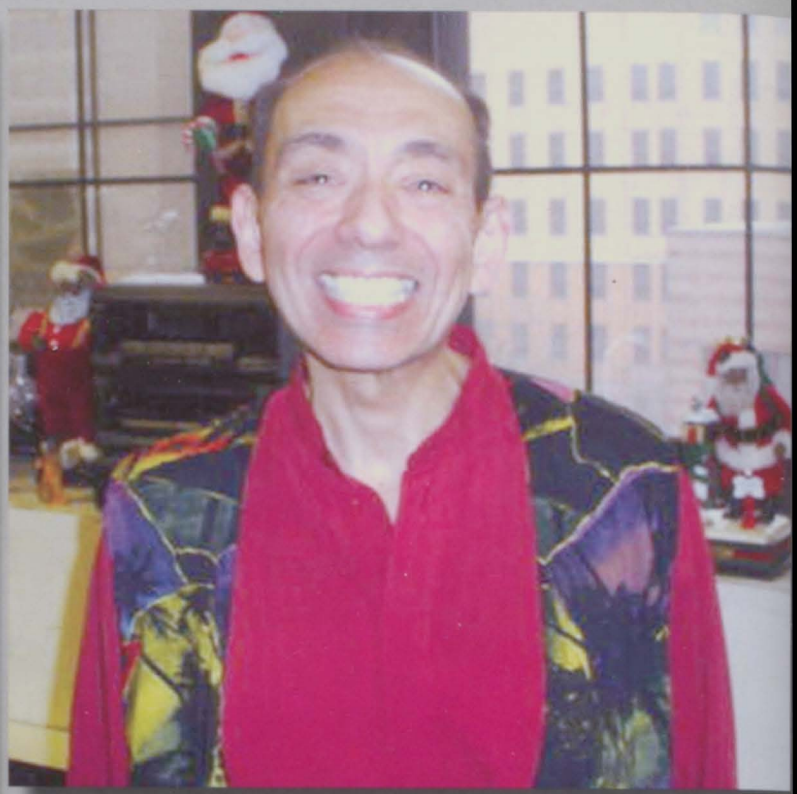

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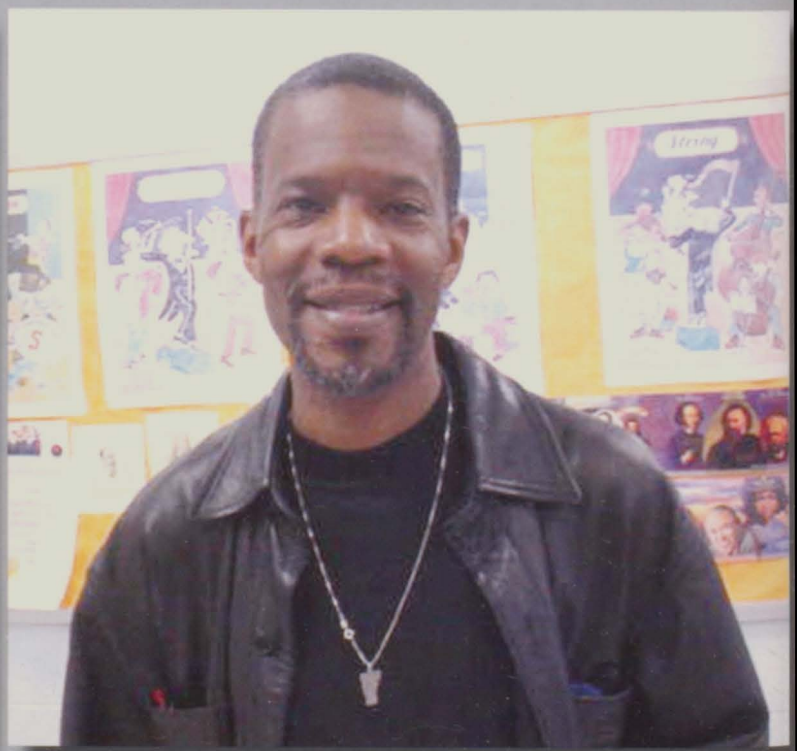

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Mrs. Liane Stone-Ingalls
English Teacher

Ms. Bernadette Gibson
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Mrs. Elizabeth Gallo
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Ms. Leslie Graham
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Ms. Christina Wallace
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Mr. Thomas Glen
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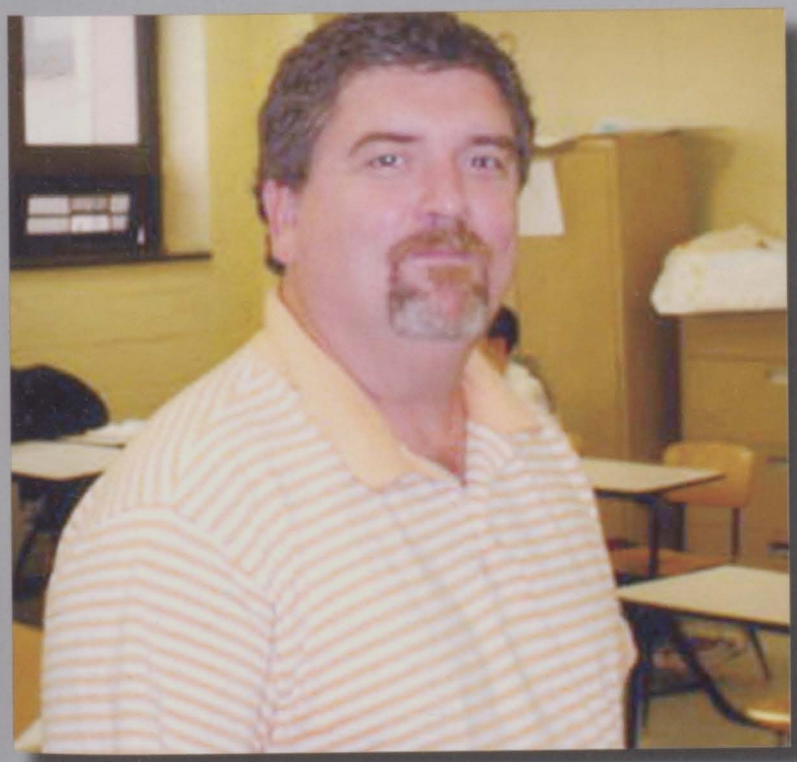

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Mr. Antonio Lopes
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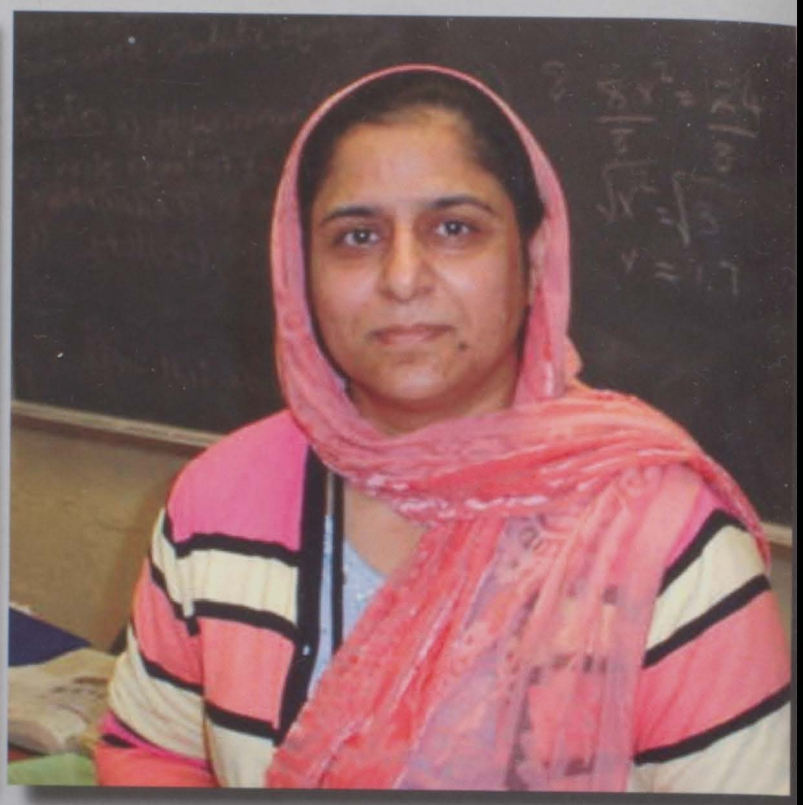

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Ms. Kimberly Scott
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Mrs. Krishna Chaudhuri
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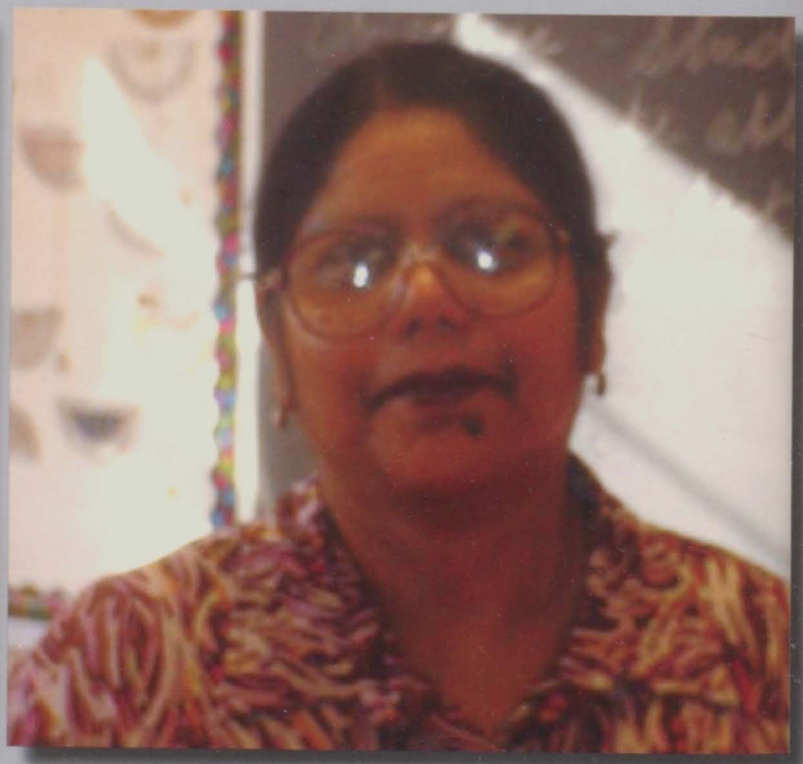

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Mr. Larry Ramsey
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Dr. Neelam Sharma
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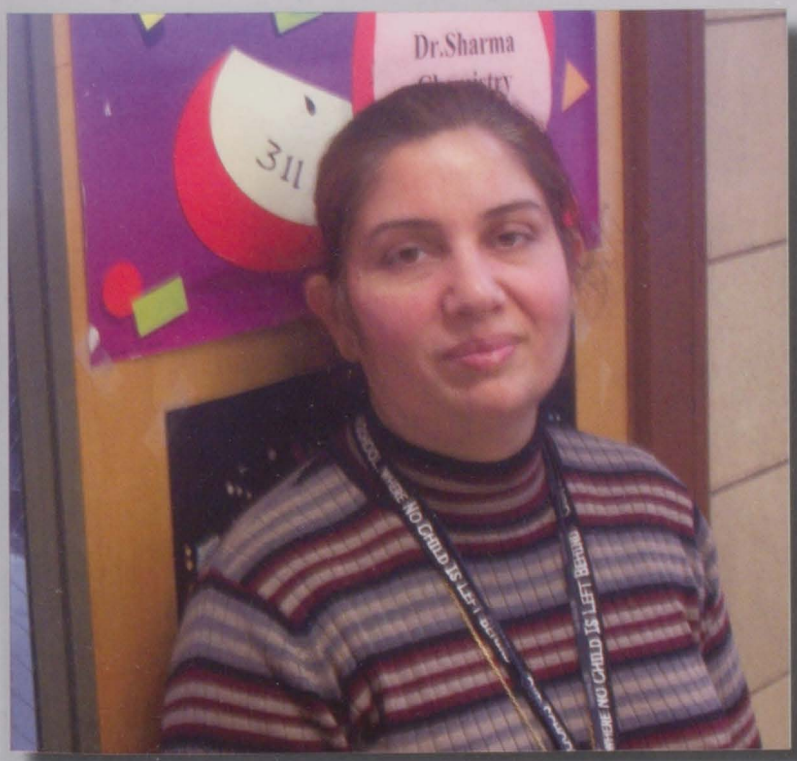

Mrs. Linda Crawford
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Mrs. Chonita Newton-Hooper
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Ms. Ivory Kilpatrick
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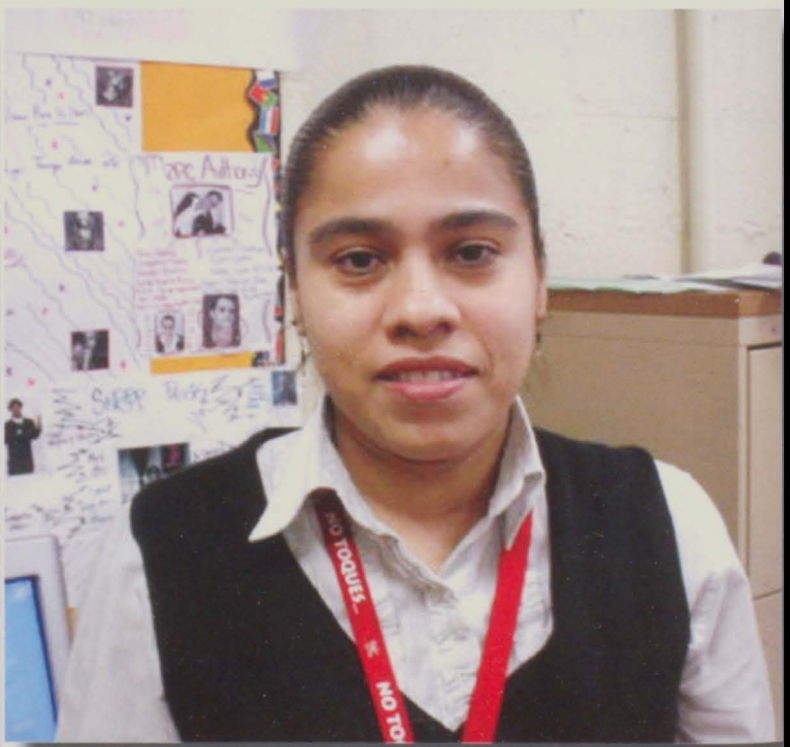
Madame Yanick Ranieri
French Teacher

Mrs. Nancy Guajardo-Perez
Spanish Teacher



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Mr. William Freire
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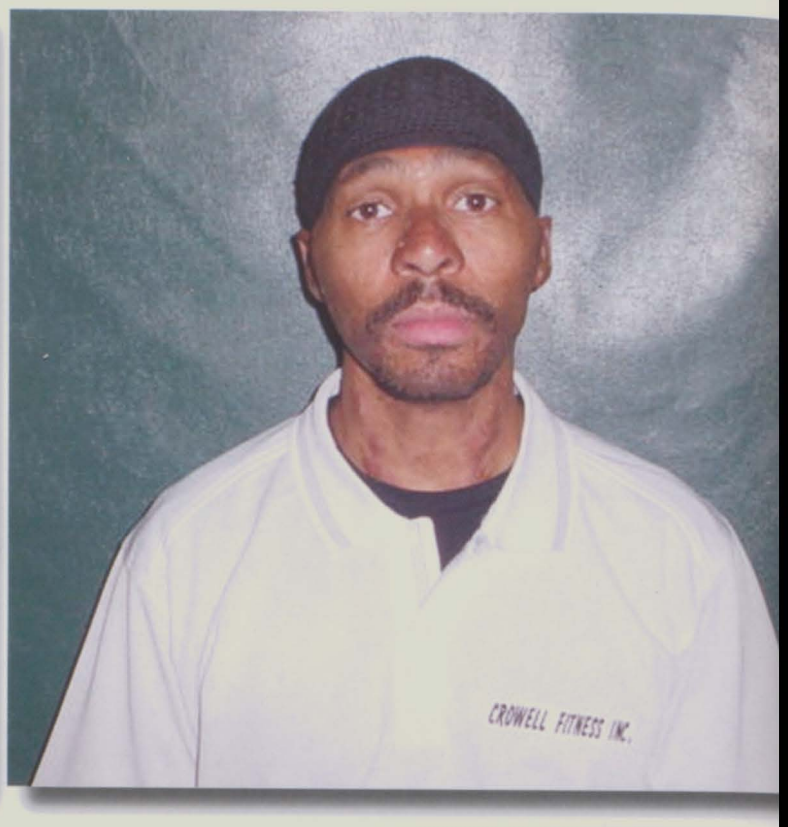
Ms. Linda Fascio
Resource Teacher

Mr. Erick Silvestre
Physics Teacher



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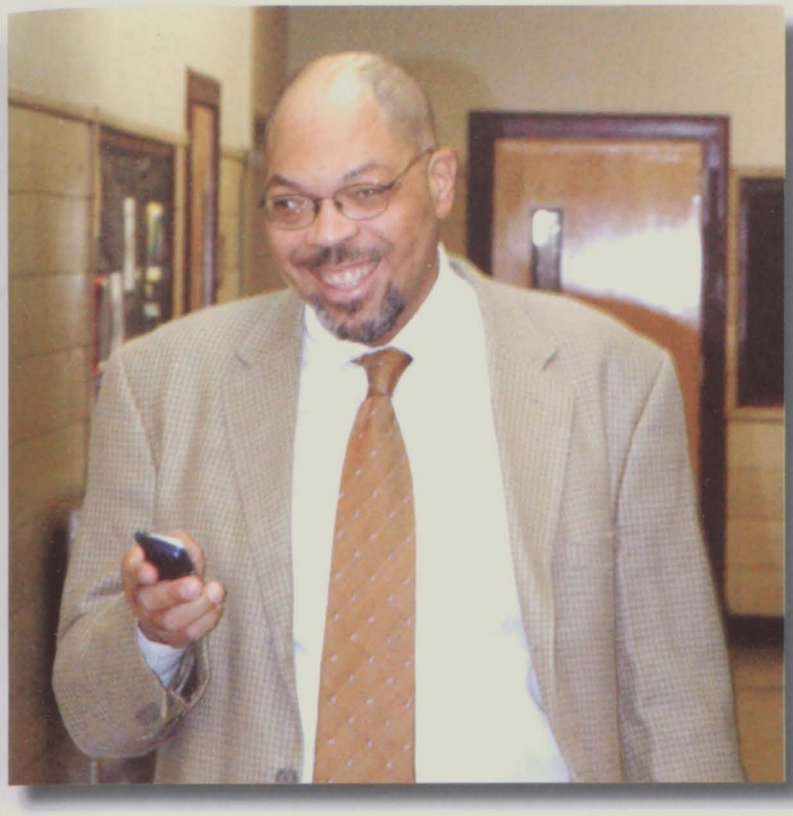
Ms. Selma Grant
Health/Physical Education Teacher



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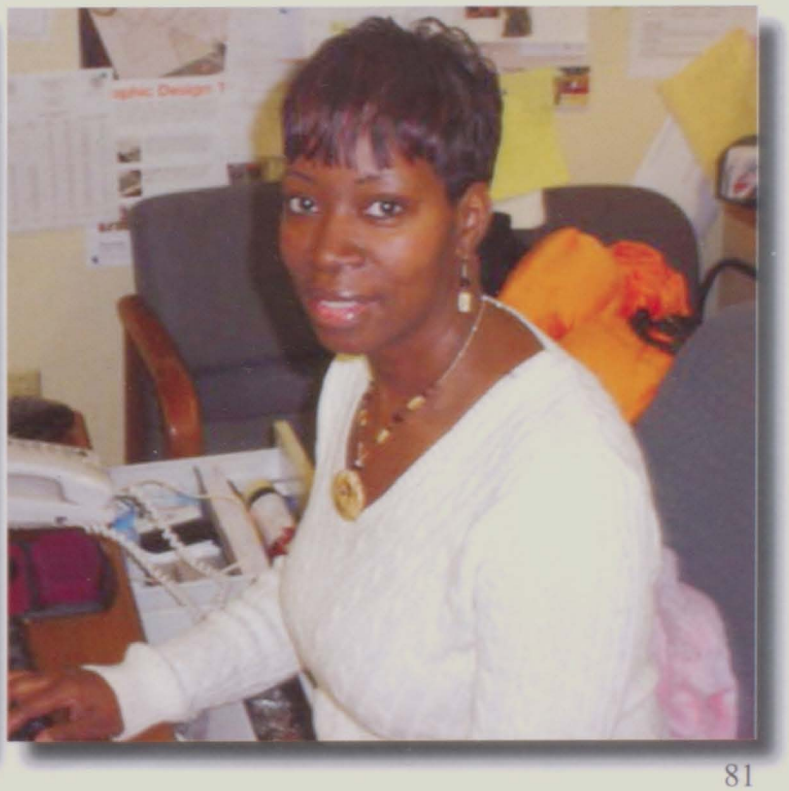
Mr. Fausto Sevila
Art Teacher

Ms. Lidia Rossi
School Clerk

Ms. Lisa Shabazz
Clerk Typist



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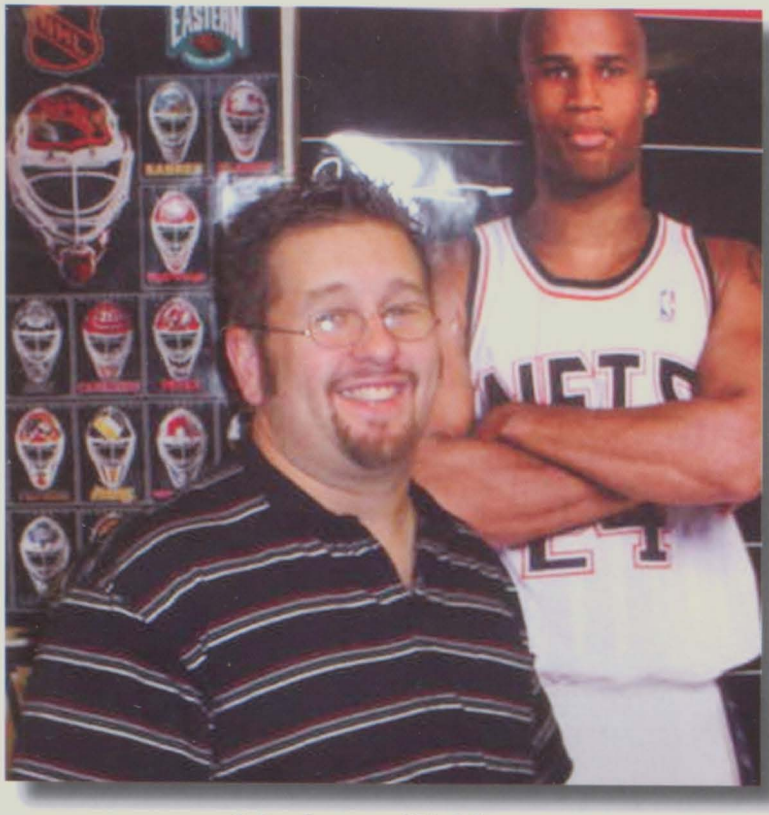

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Ms. Bonegal Spearman
School Nurse

Mr. Courtney Bartholomew
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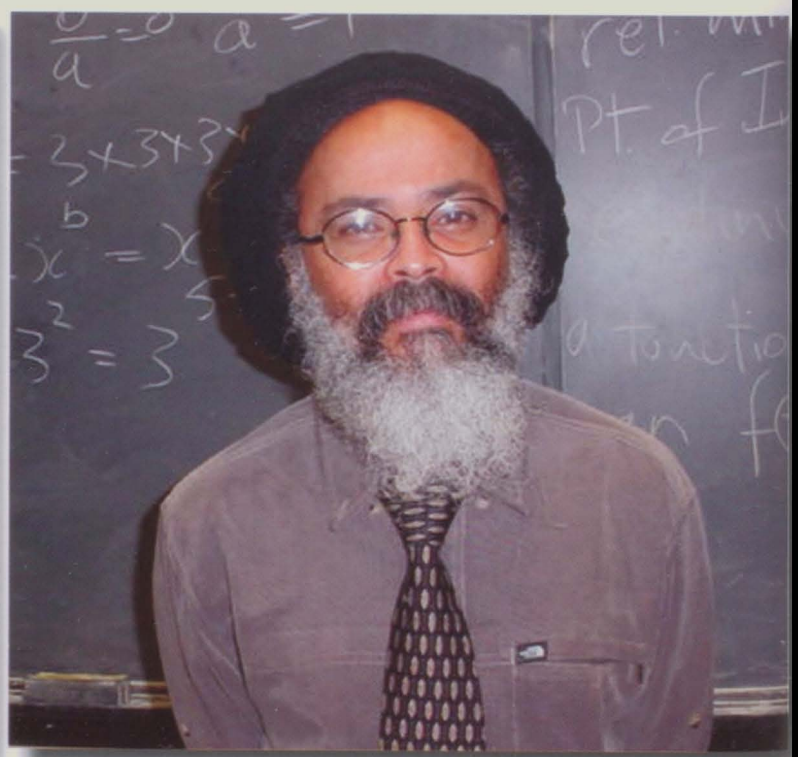


Ms. Betty Holloway
School-to-Career Coordinator

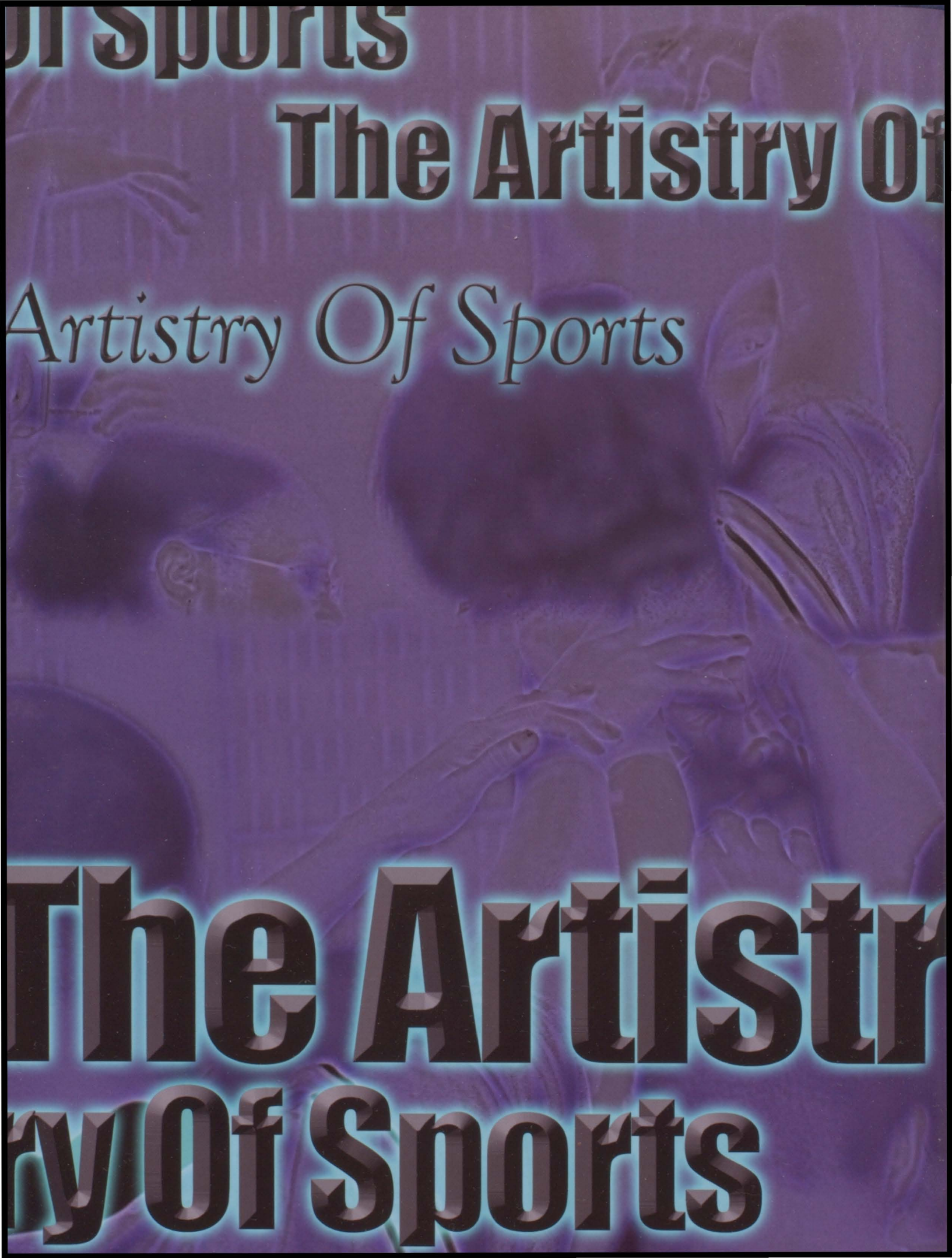
Oksana Hnatczuk
Biology-Comprehensive Science

Iris Commune
Television Communications

Bernard Zeigler
Custodian

Mr. Jasonn Denard has influenced many of us here at Arts High School. He is much more than a teacher. He is a parent, a friend and a peer. He has developed personal relationships with most of his students and holds a special place in the hearts of the Senior Class of 2007. As we go on, it is unlikely that Mr. Denard will be forgotten by any of us. He has challenged us both inside and outside of the classroom. Mr. Denard, you will be missed and we hope that future Arts High School students will be able to experience your awesome character and creative lesson plans. You are truly an inspiration. – *A Member of the Class of 2007*

"I have tried to intertwine Language Arts with that of a real life situation to gain the interest of my students and allow them to dig deeper into their work. By encouraging youth to dig deeper into the subject, I think that they will have a greater understanding of how to function in the 'real world'. I hope that I have taught you all to 'dig' deeper and hope you continue to do so throughout life. I also hope you remember the non-academic life lessons. I hope I have given you a glimpse of, and prepared you for, what is to come. Throughout my three years here, I have developed bonds with many of you. I hope that I can continue to be a person who is trusted and is looked to for guidance. There were some rocky times, times when we may not have gotten along, but I hope you learned from those times as well. You are my first graduating class and while I am sad to see you go, I am eager to see what you will offer the world. I am confident that you will be successful in all that you do. You will never be forgotten. Farewell, 'Knuckleheads.' – *Mr. Denard*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The Softball Team Knows How to Play Hard...

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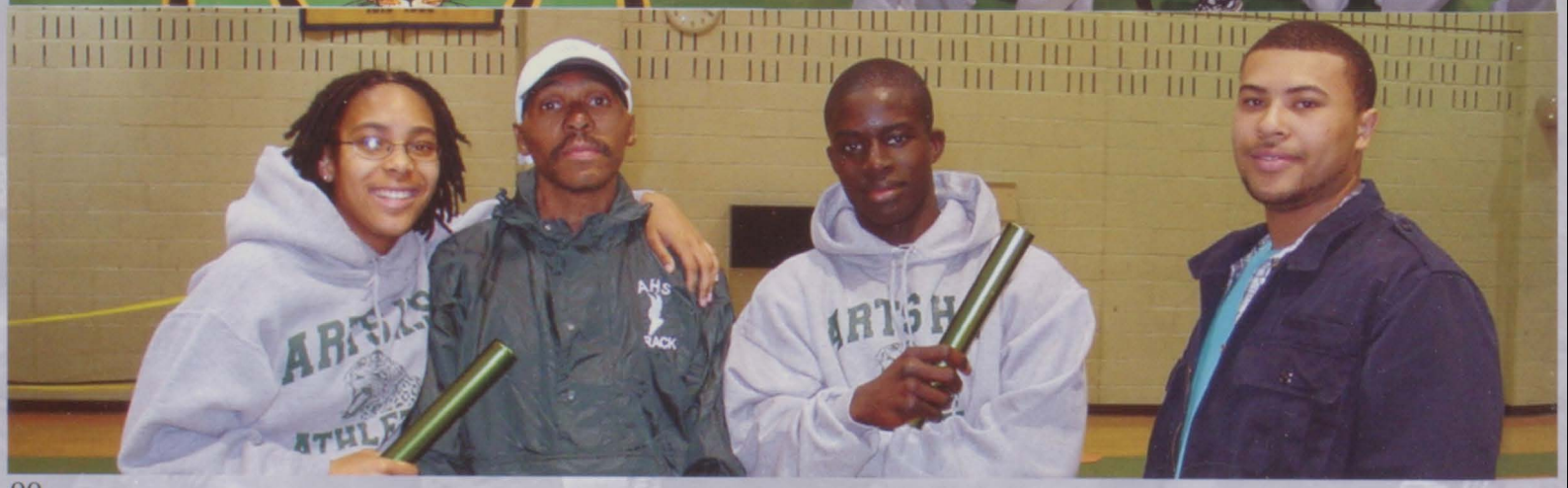
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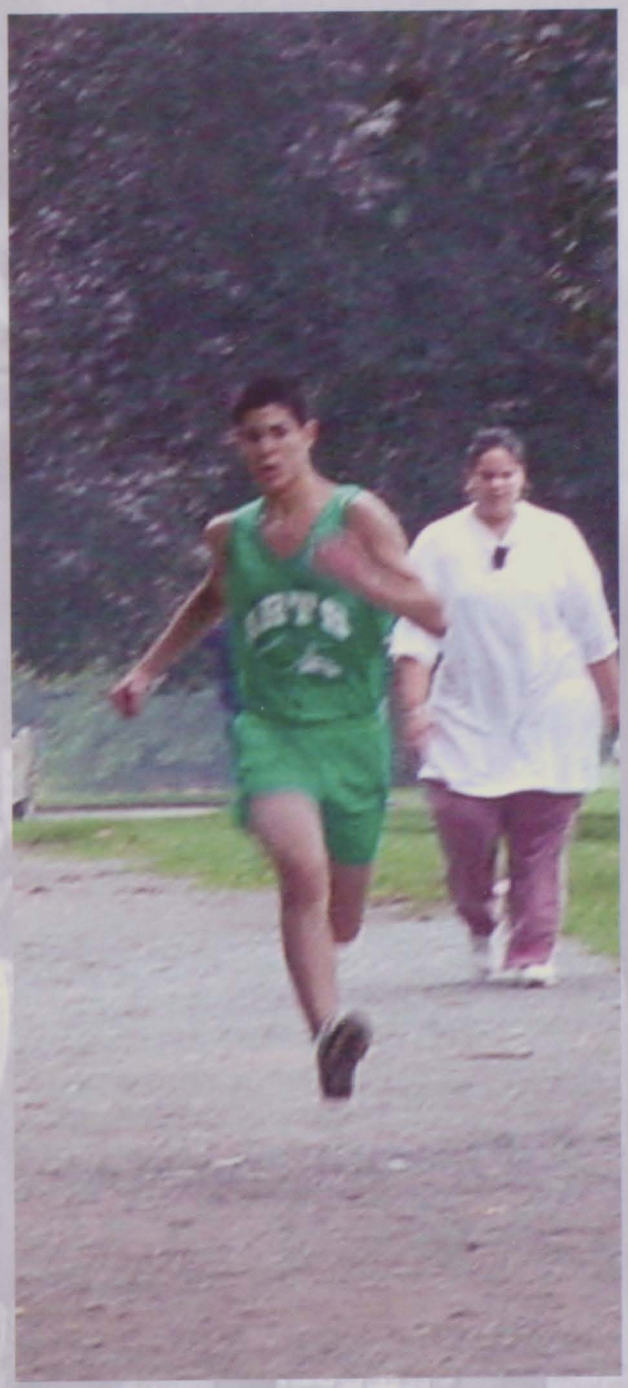

Track and Field

TRACK AND FIELD

Coaches: Mr. Crowell and Ms. Guffin

SOCCER

Coach: Mr. Antonio Lopes

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

JAGUARS
LADY JAGUARS
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"That's gonna be all net baby! Swish!"

BOY'S BASKETBALL

Teamwork.

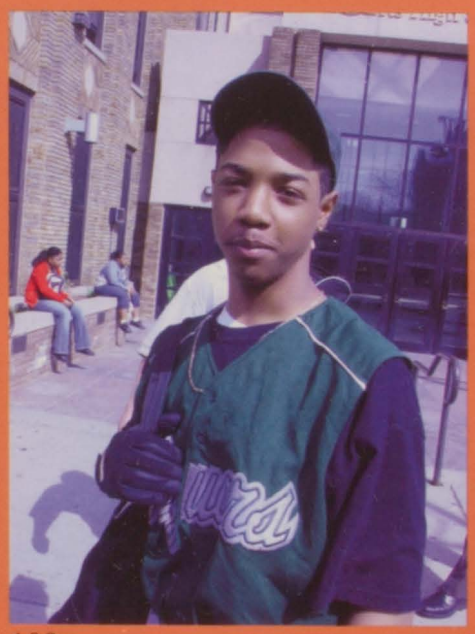
"And he's going in for the classic lay up…"

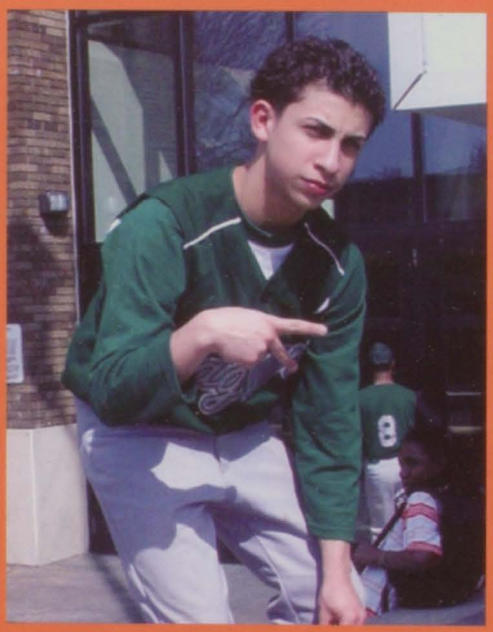
ARTS HIGH PEP RALLY

PEP, PEP AND MORE PEP

"Here comes the AHS Pep Squad!"

ARTS
MUSIC





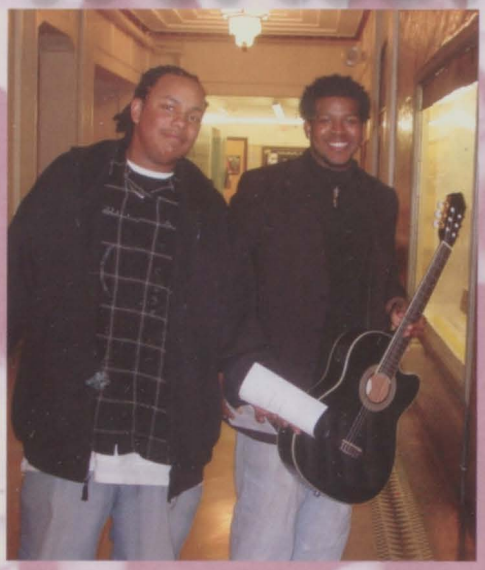
OUR BASEBALL TEAM

Take me out to the ball game!
Take me out to the crowd!
Buy me some peanuts and cracker jacks!
I don't care if I ever get back!
Cause it's root, root, root for the home team!
If they don't win it's a shame!
For it's one, two, three strikes you're out of the old ball game!

2007 IS OH, SO CLASSY!

IT TOOK 2007 YEARS TO GET A CLASS THIS GOOD

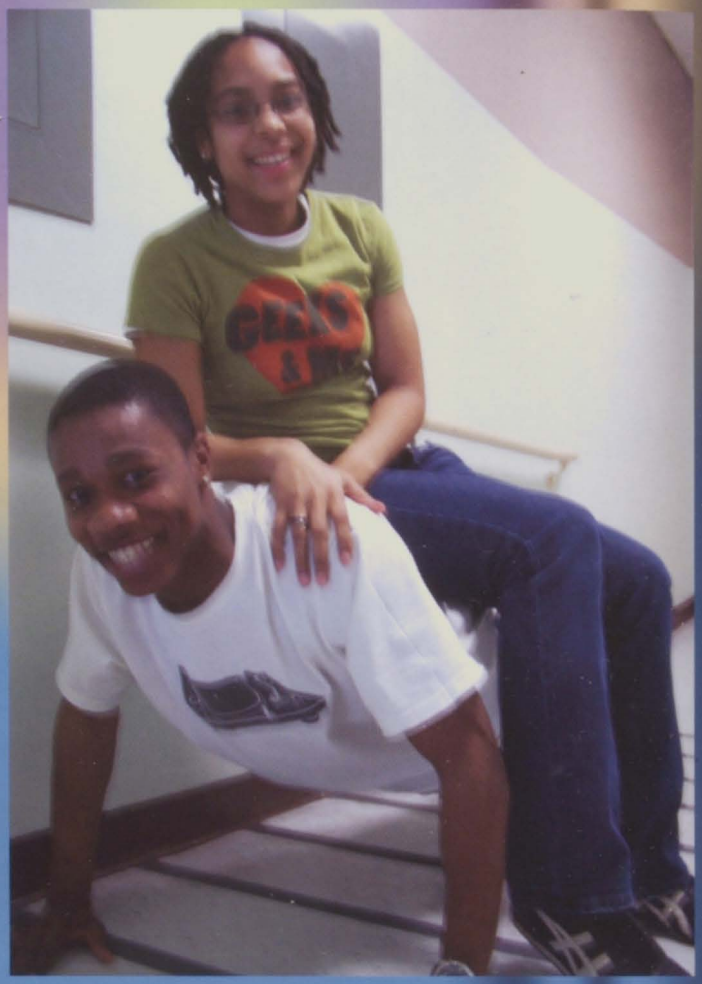
Winter Concert



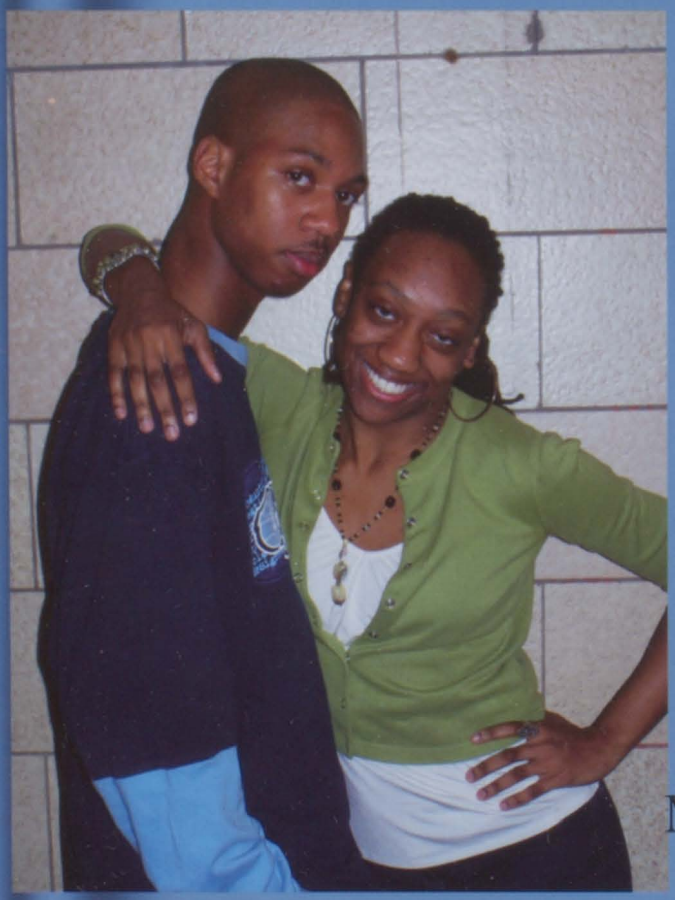
Let's unite our voices and bring a joyful sound into our world.

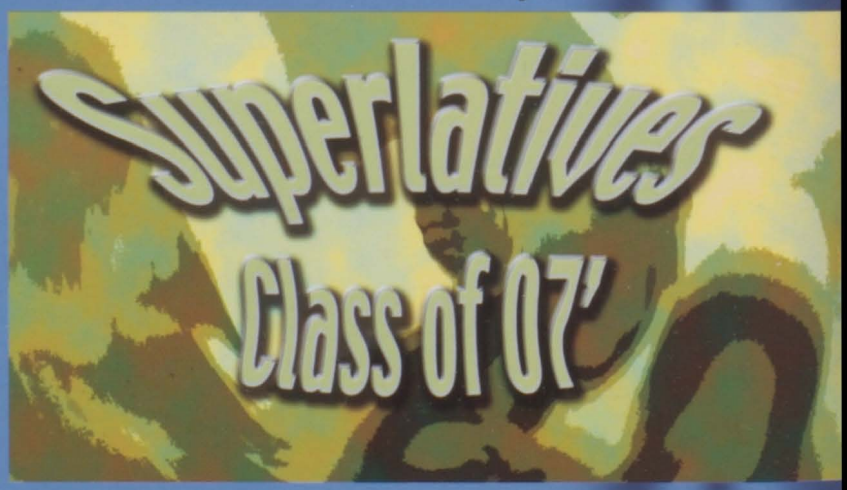
Dr. Carter shares a moment with a few members of the Women's Chorus.

Teacher's Pet
Natalia & Cristian



Most Athletic
Tyree & Chanelle





Most Likely To Succeed In Their Major
Stephen & Titilayo

Biggest Gossiper
Taylor & Kajuan

Class Clowns
Kareem & Arcia

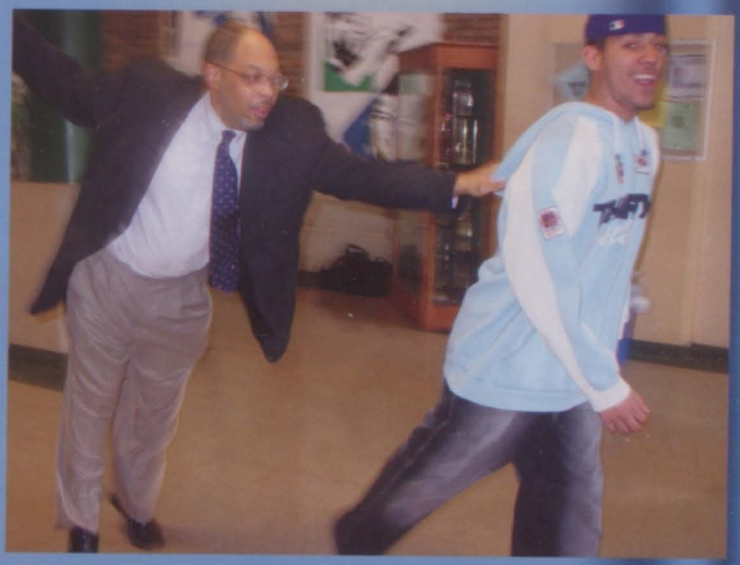
Best Dressed
Spencer & Kelly

Best Smile
Hakiem & Nicole

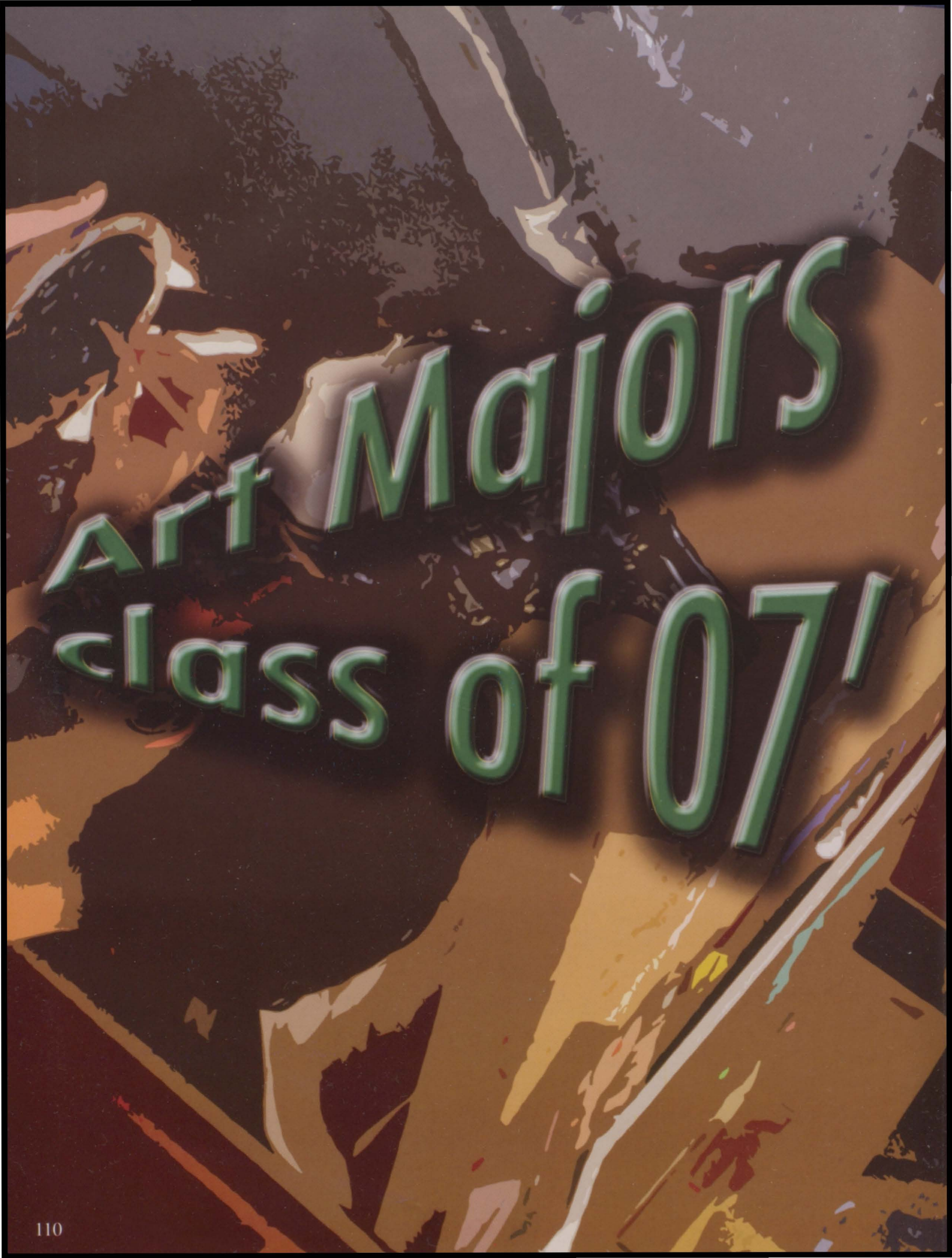
Most Scholastic
Irene & Daniel

Most Dramatic
Vitorino & Nikki

Most Wanted
By Administration
Phillip



Nicest People
William & Yajaira


Art Majors
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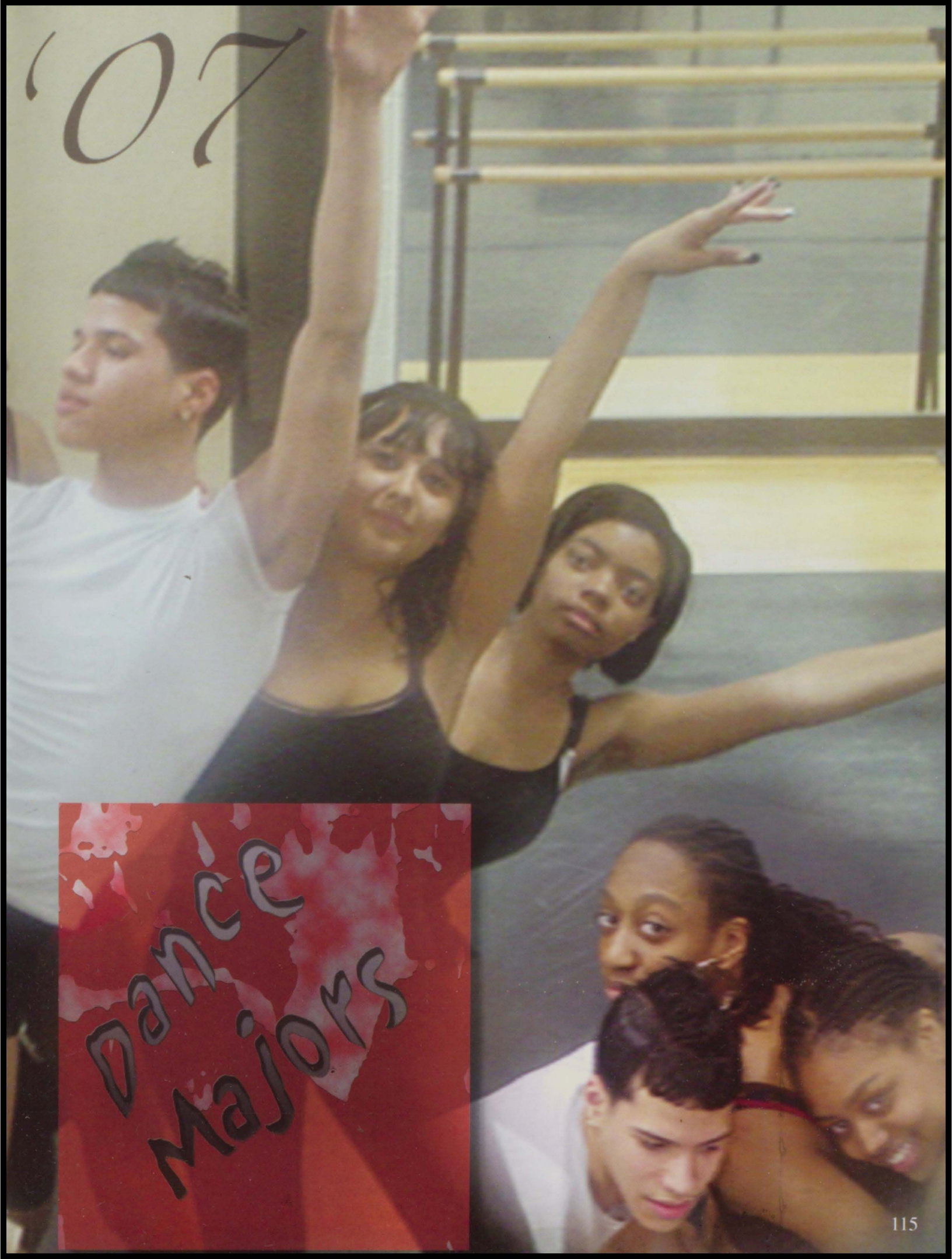
Dance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The Drama Majors

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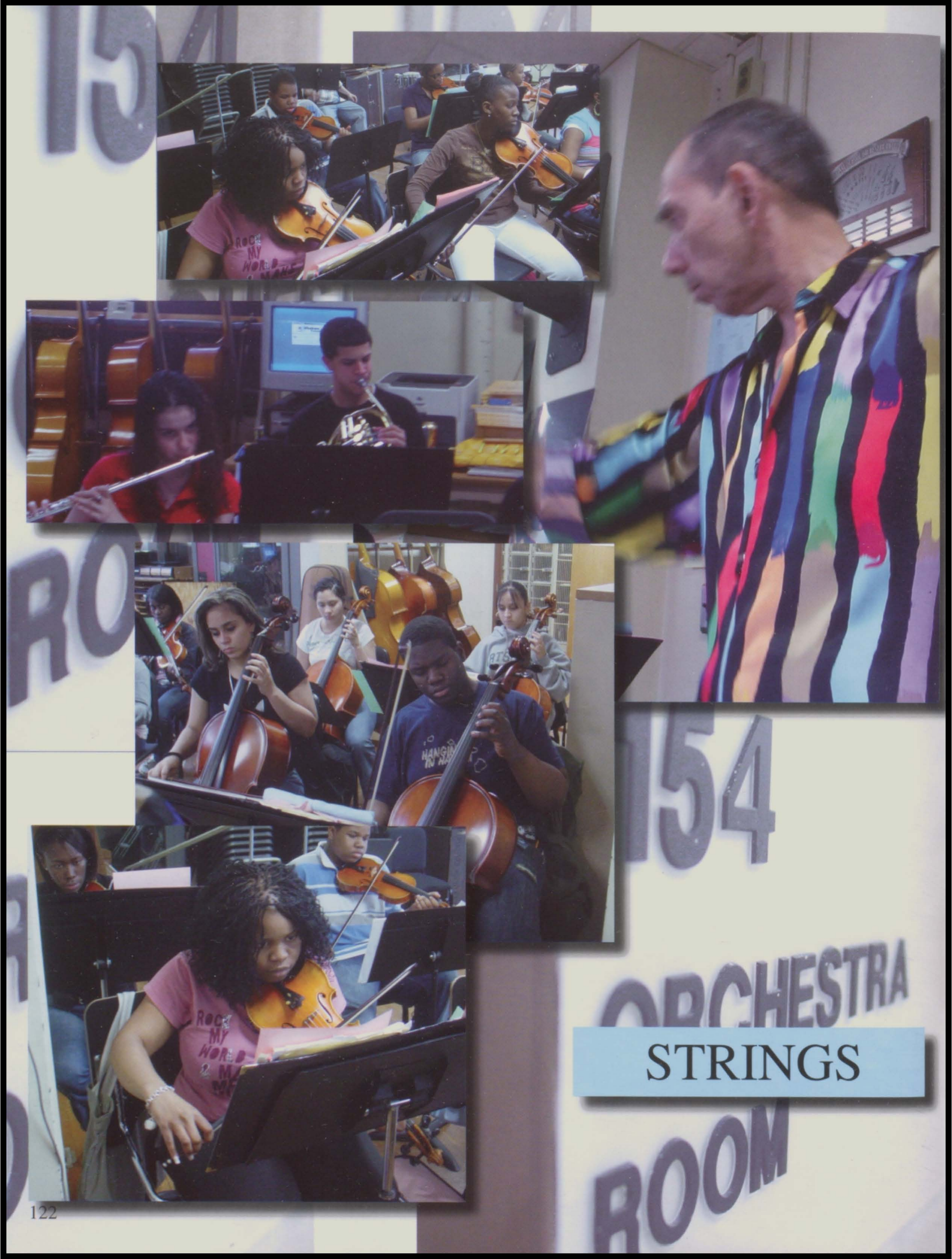

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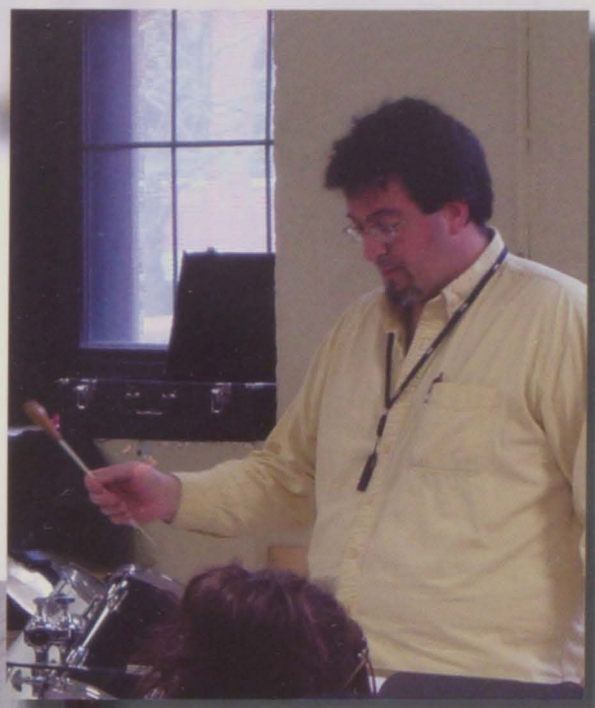
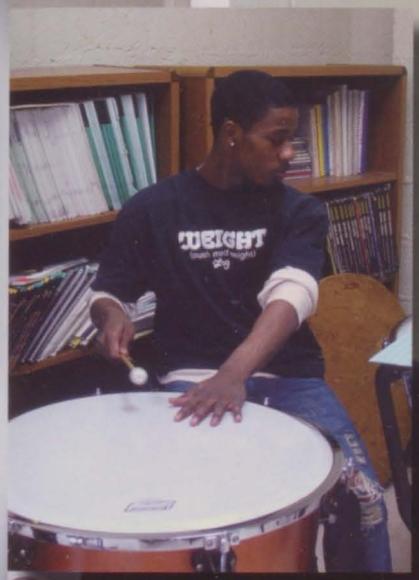
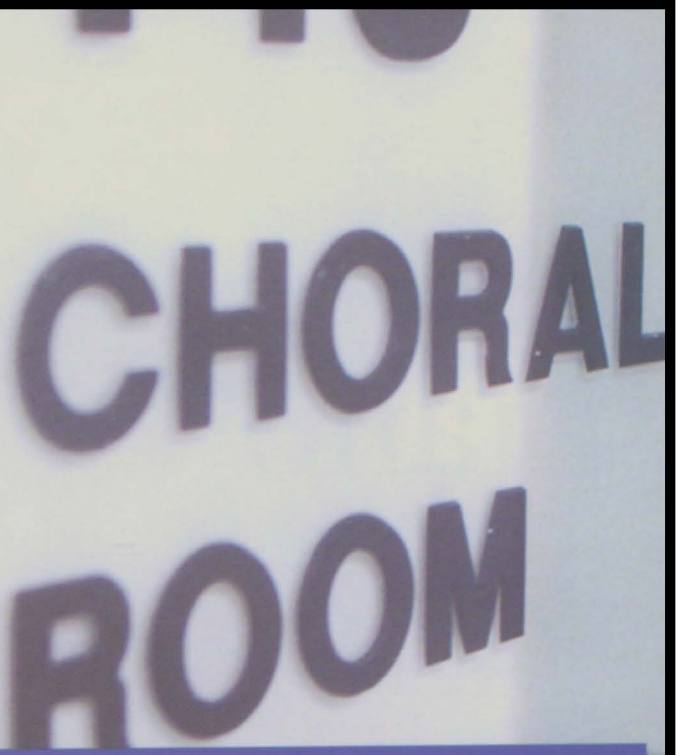




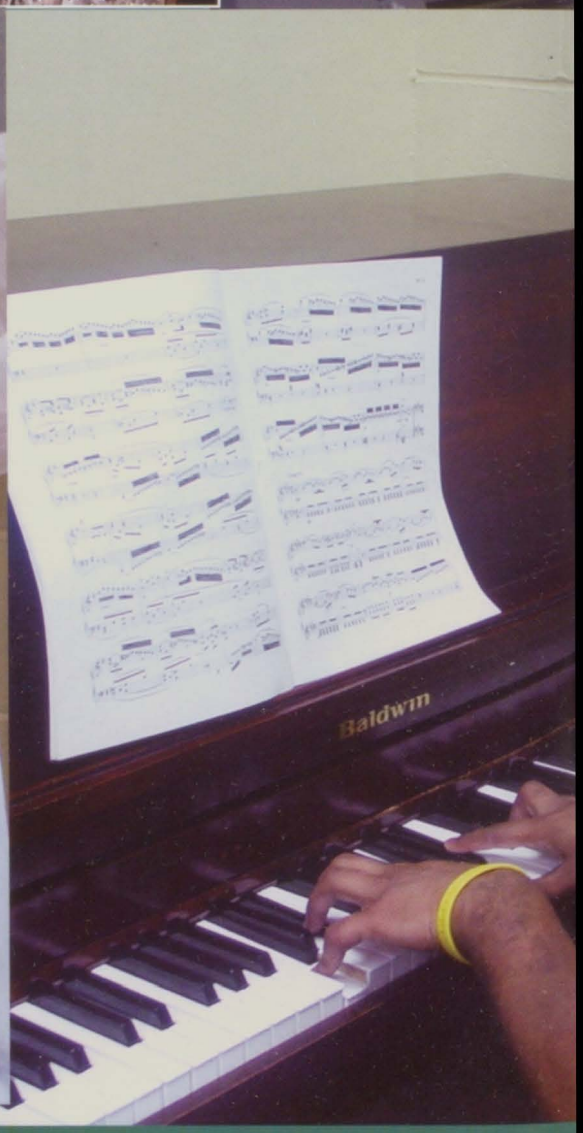
VOCALS

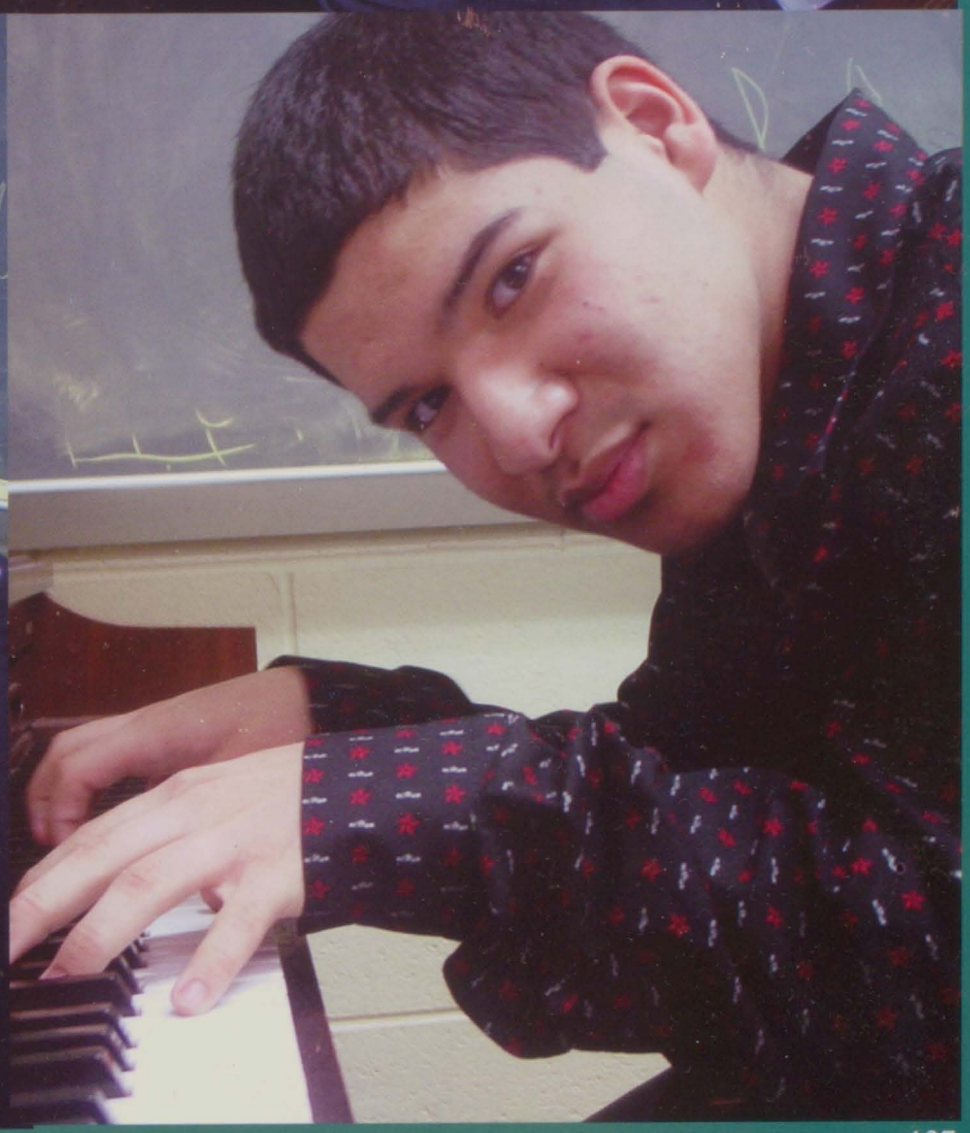
lifting our voices



lifting our chimes

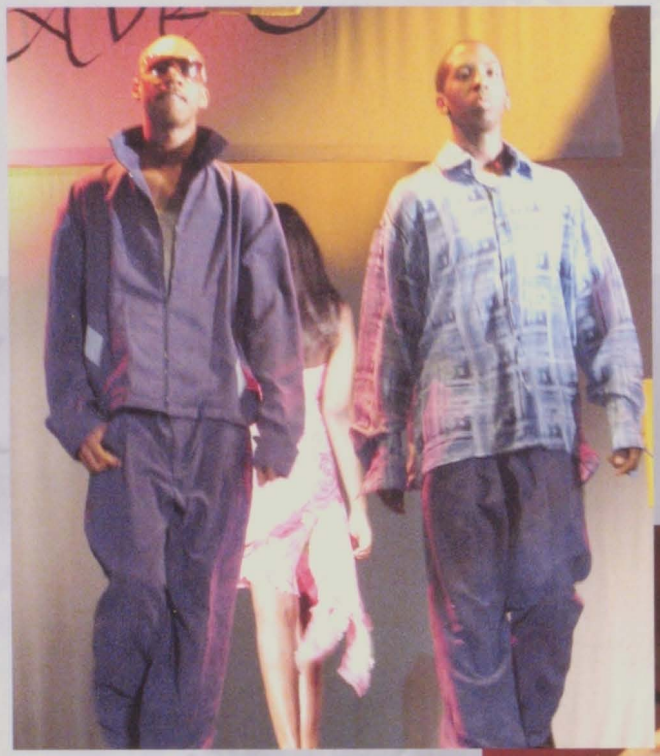
Instrumental piano Majors

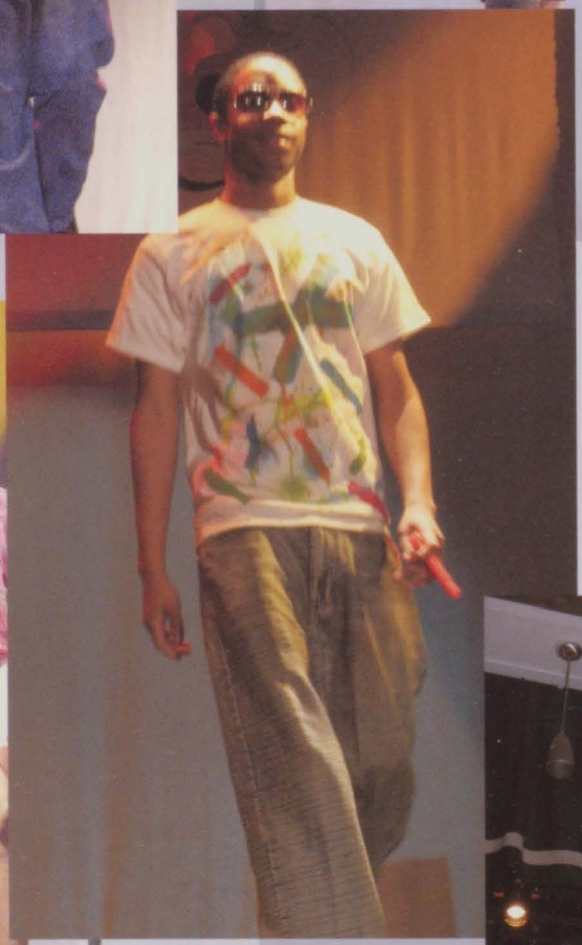


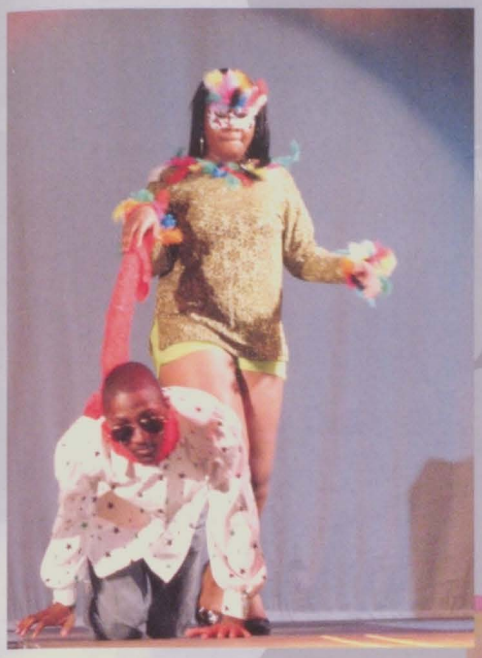


TV Majors

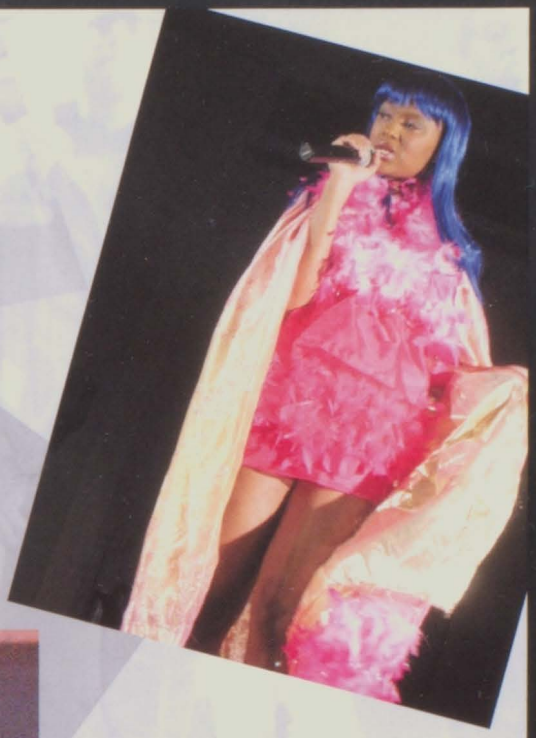
The Fashion Show



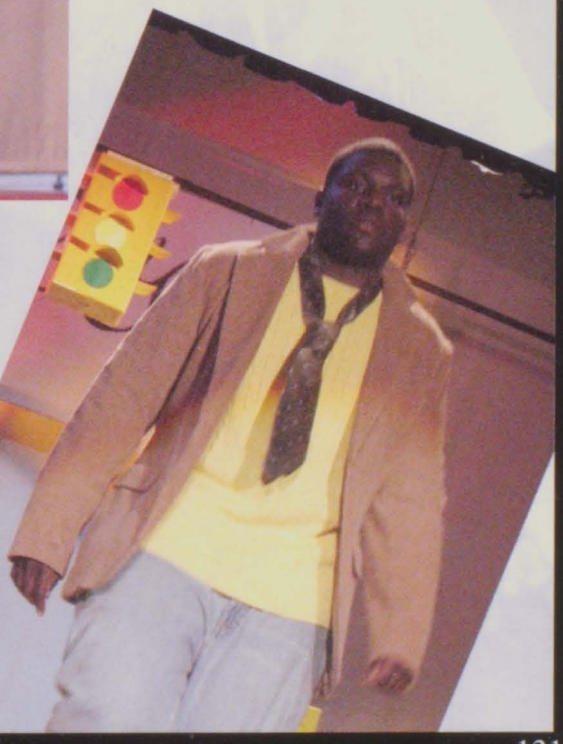


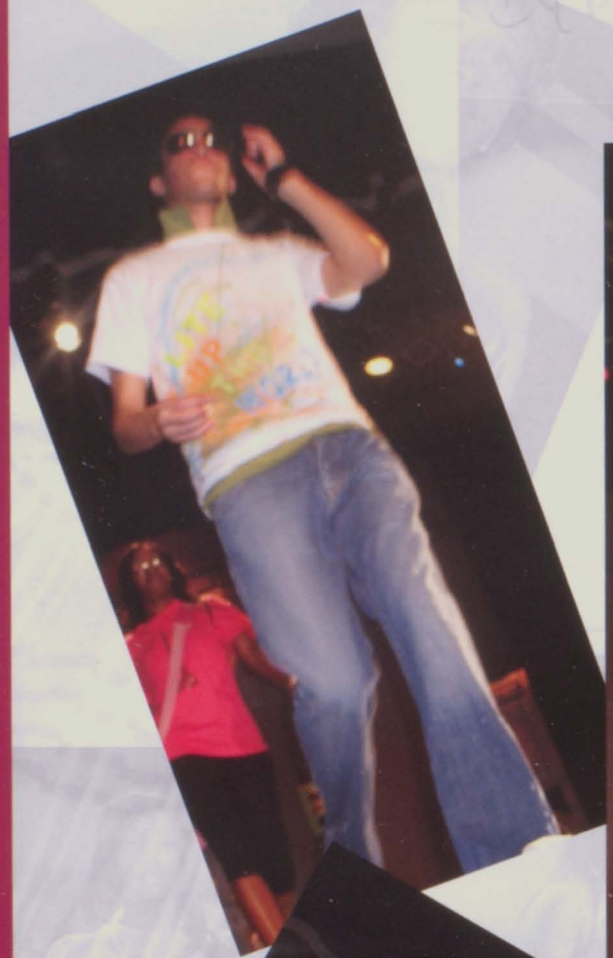


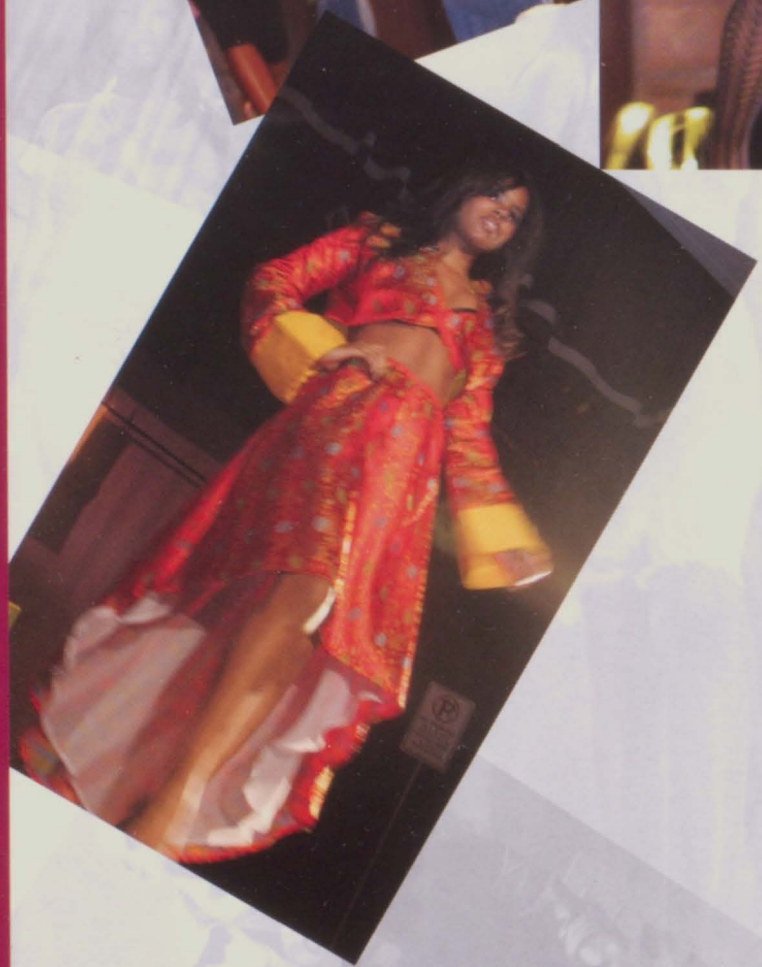
Artistic and fashionable...

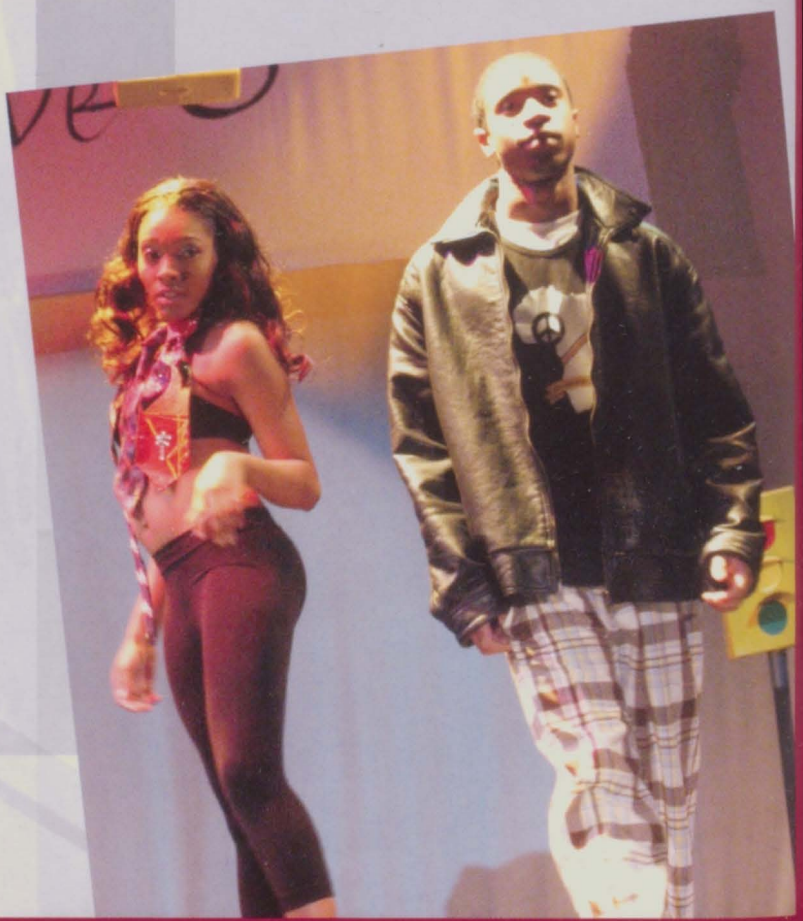


A bird of paradise.



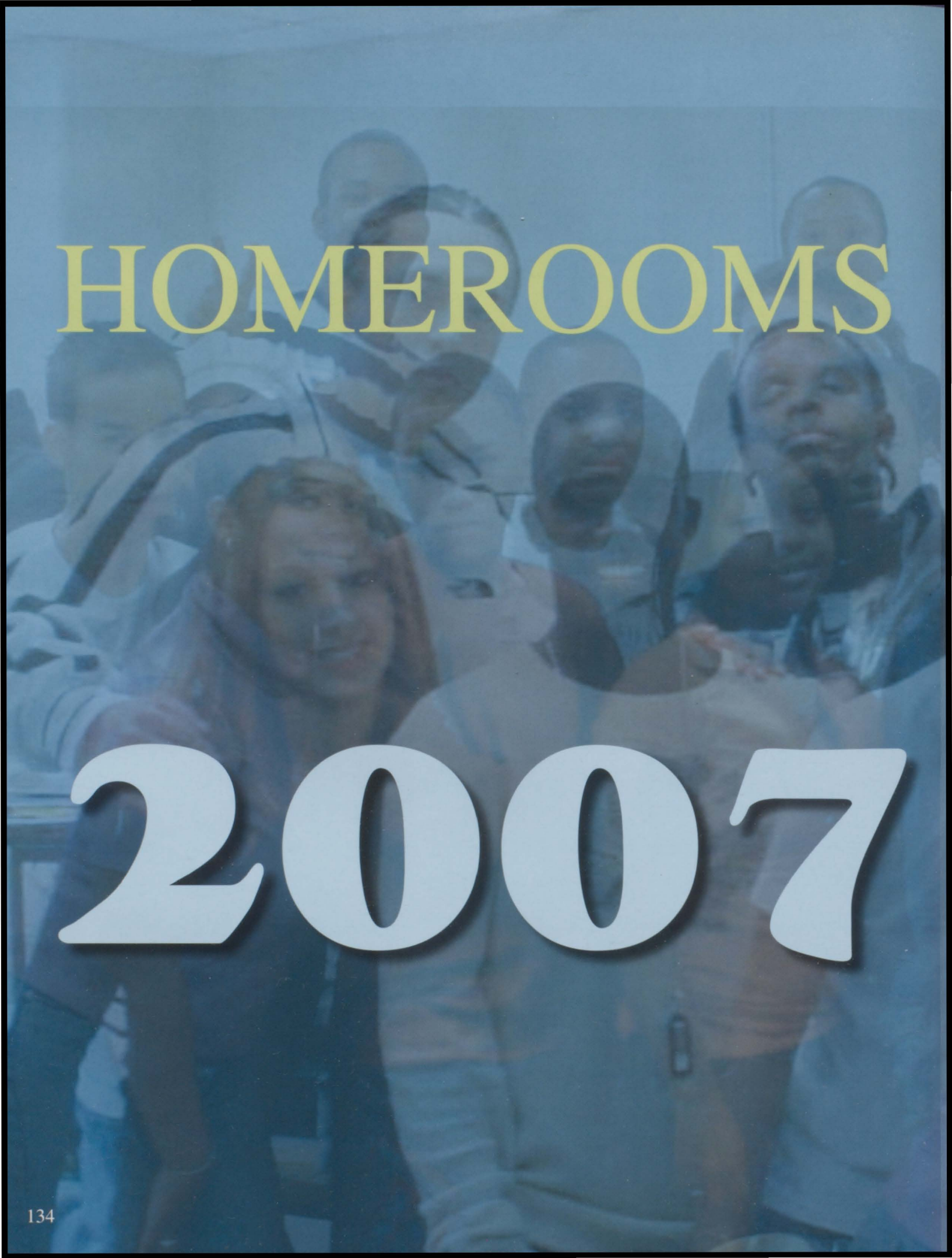






Modesty and greatness.

We own this runway!



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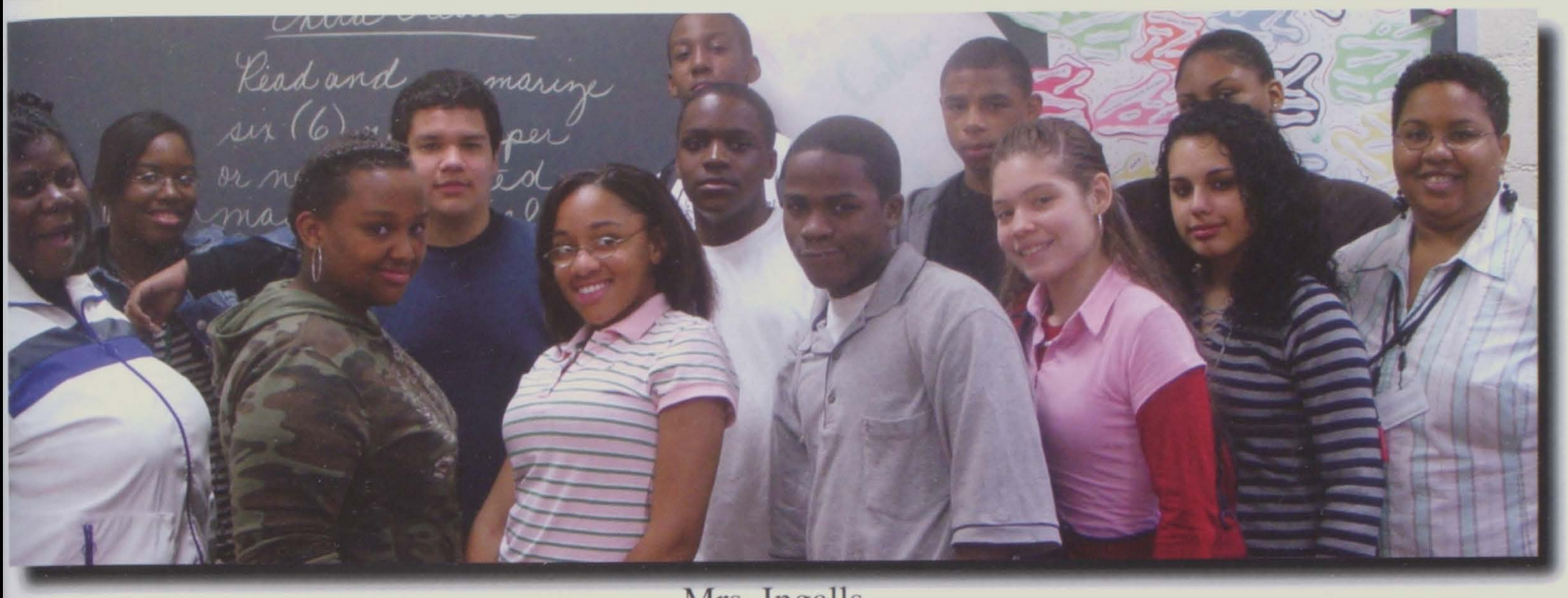

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Mr. Argul
Room 152

Ms. Whitley
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FRESHMAN

Mr. Lopes
Room 205

Ms. Gibson
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Mr. Crowell
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Ms. Gallion
Room 239

SOPHOMORES

Mr. Brogdon
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Mr. Carlos
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Ms. Durr
Room 414

Ms. Comune
Room 012

Ms. El
Room 236

Mrs. Perez
Room 419

Dr. Forderhase
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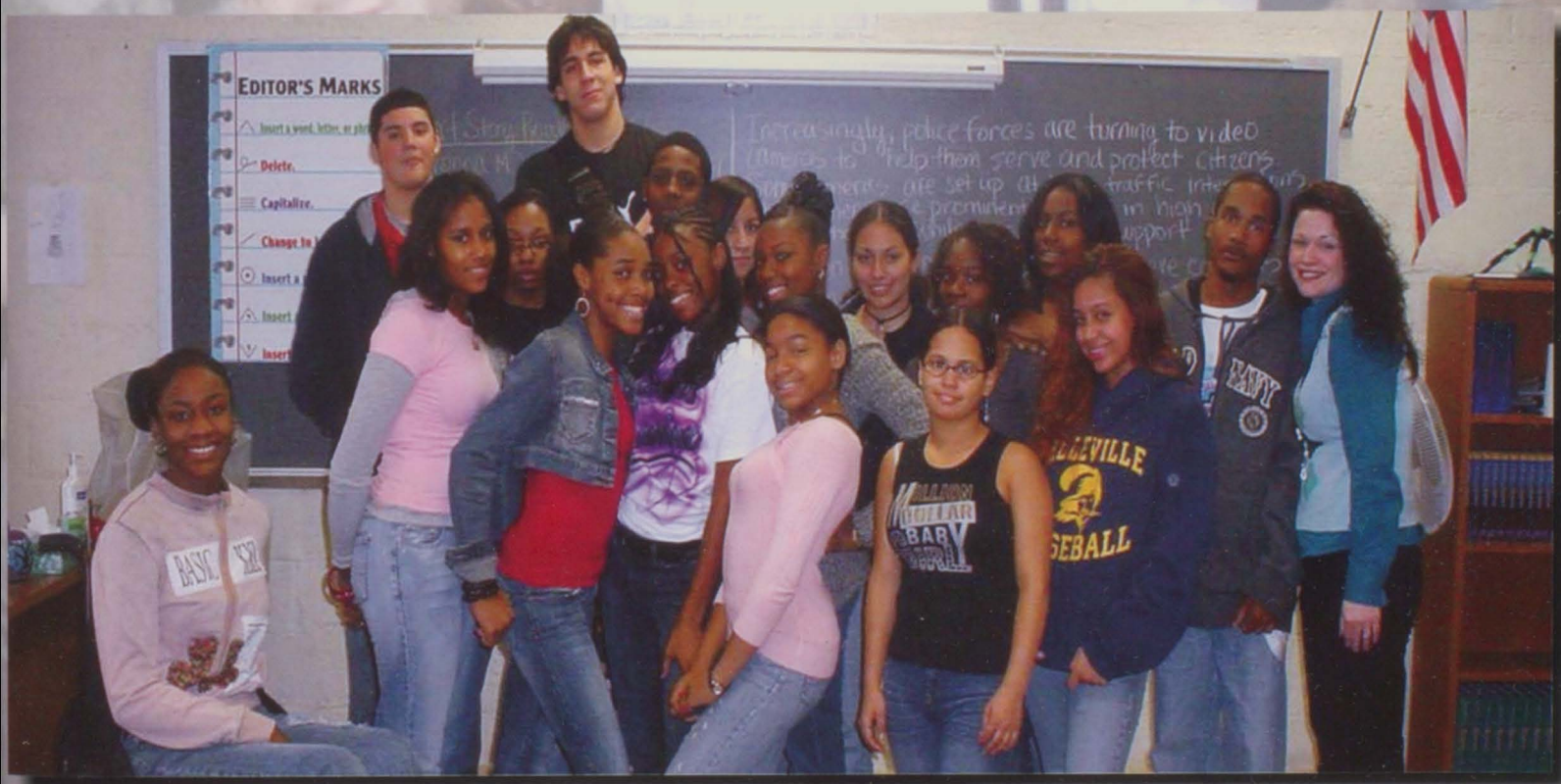

Ms. Wallace
Room 208

JUNIORS

We can't wait until next year!

Ms. Cotton
Room 310

Ms. Grant
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Ms. Graham
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Mrs. Gallo Room 215

M E R O O M S

O THE CLASS OF 2007

Mr. Denard Room 234

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Wishing the class of 2007 all of the success and happiness in the world!

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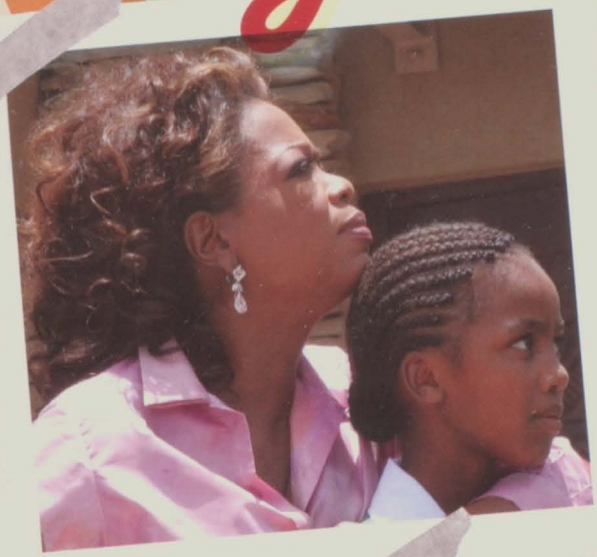
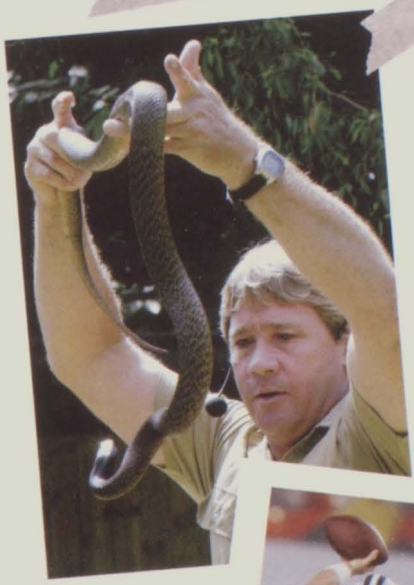
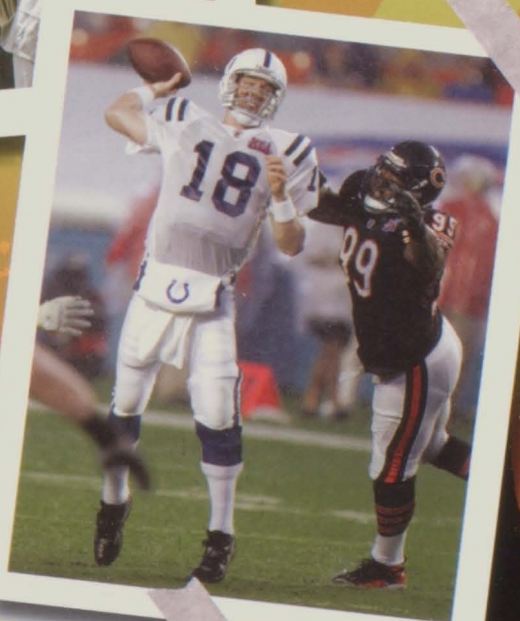
year in review







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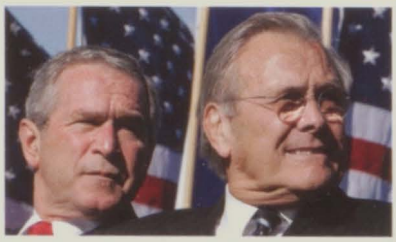
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A. The fury within

Violence by insurgents and sects increased in Iraq despite efforts by Iraqi police and troops from the U.S. and other countries. More than 3,000 U.S. troops died in Iraq since March 2003. Iraqi authorities reported almost 17,000 of their countrymen died in that period, although estimates varied greatly. The U.N. estimated more than 1 million Iraqis fled their homes.

B. Iraq War reexamined

The Bush administration revised its Iraq strategy after a spike in sectarian violence, the results of the November elections and the Iraq Study Group report. Donald Rumsfeld stepped down as defense secretary a day after the elections; Robert Gates, a former CIA chief, stepped into the position. And President George W. Bush proposed an increase of more than 20,000 U.S. troops in Iraq.

C. Rising again

Rebuilding along the Gulf Coast continued following the fall 2005 hurricanes Katrina and Rita. In New Orleans, 74 percent of all schools, and 49 percent of public schools, were open as of December, reported The Brookings Institution, a private research group. Another such group, Rand Corp., predicted the city's population by September 2008 would be 56 percent of the pre-Katrina total.

D. Earth burns, quakes

Mother Nature stayed active in the fall, with an earthquake in Hawaii, record-setting rains and floods in the northwest U.S., and a record early October snowstorm in Buffalo, N.Y.. Five firefighters were killed in a wildfire in southern California that authorities determined was arson.

E. Winter puts life on hold

Holiday blizzards dumped as much as four feet of snow in parts of Colorado and Kansas. Then record warmth in the northern and eastern U.S. stalled skiing, ice fishing and ice hockey, but brought out golfers and flowers, before a massive ice storm and freezing temperatures gripped Texas northward to Maine. And more than 100 inches of snow fell in upstate New York.

F. Food safety

E. coli bacteria appeared in produce shipped to several states, raising safety concerns. At least 175 people became ill after eating fresh spinach, and two people died. Lettuce was deemed the culprit when people in the Northeast U.S. became ill after eating at Taco Bell.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimated the country grew to 300 million people in October.

Katie Couric became anchor of the CBS Evening News.

Billionaire Warren Buffet planned to give 85% of his Berkshire Hathaway fortune to philanthropic foundations.

Freezing temperatures in January destroyed 75% of California's citrus crop.

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Photo credit: AP/Wide World Photos

G. Hussein gone

Former Iraq president Saddam Hussein and other officials of his regime were executed for crimes against humanity after being found guilty in the deaths of 143 people from the town of Dujail in 1982. He was hanged in a chamber where his regime carried out death sentence orders.

H. 9/11 five years later

Ceremonies marked the fifth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attack. Tributes took place at Ground Zero, where the World Trade Center towers once stood in New York, at the Pentagon and at Shanksville, Pa. Meanwhile, work continued on Freedom Tower, the skyscraper that will replace the World Trade Center towers.

I. A new Congress

Voters in the November midterm elections gave the Democrats a majority in Congress for the first time in a decade. With the victory, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., became the first female speaker of the House. The majority in the Senate was in jeopardy for a time because Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., underwent brain surgery for intracerebral bleeding in December.

J. President Ford dies

Gerald R. Ford Jr., 93, the 38th president, died at home in California in December. Ford was the only president and vice president never to be elected to those offices. He was appointed vice president by President Richard Nixon, and he assumed the presidency when Nixon resigned amid the Watergate scandal in the 1970s. Ford is remembered for pardoning Nixon.

what you think!

Which story had the greatest impact on Americans this year?

- Iraq war: 44%
- High gasoline prices: 42%
- Immigration: 6%
- 2006 Elections : 6%

Survey results compiled from reponses of 1,600 high school and middle school students across the nation.

Construction began for a Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. memorial on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

Dow Jones industrial average broke 12,500 for the first time.

Milton Friedman, Nobel Prize-winning economist who defined free-market economic theory, died at 94.

Pope Benedict XVI visited Istanbul's Blue Mosque, only the second papal visit ever to a Muslim place of worship.

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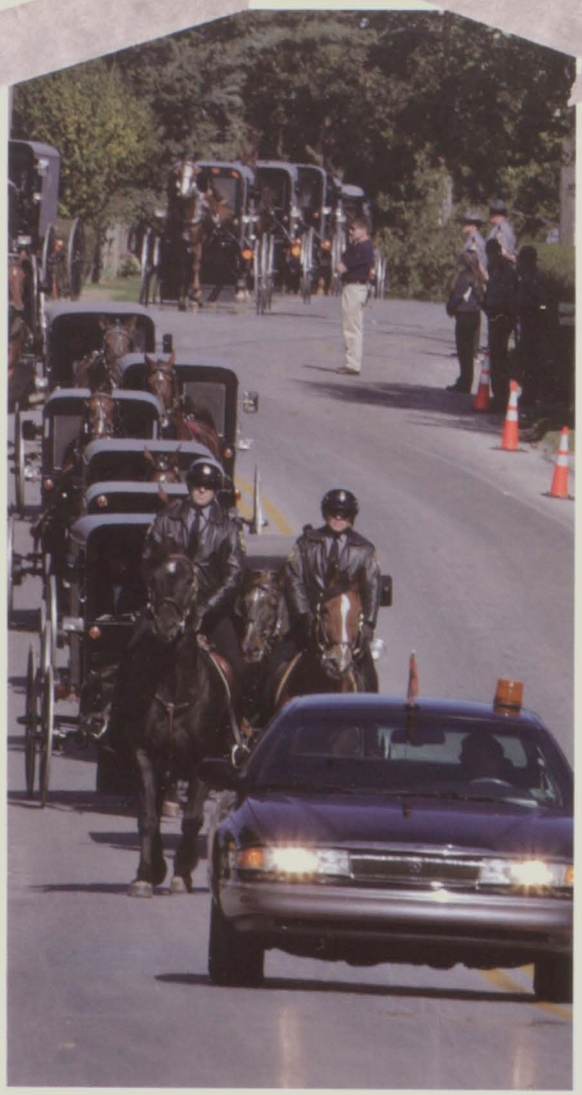

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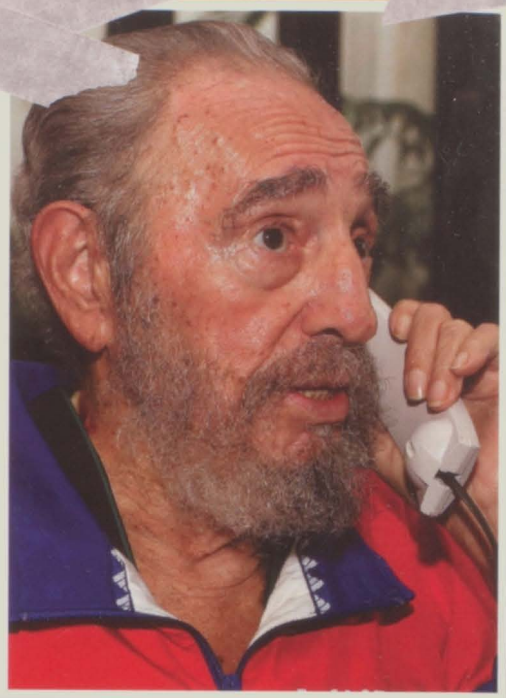

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K. Communities shattered

Three school shootings in one week in the fall took the lives of nine people. Charles C. Robert IV entered the one-room West Nickel Mines Amish School in Pennsylvania and shot 10 girls, ages 6 to 13, and then himself. Five girls and Roberts died. In Wisconsin, a 15-year-old student at Weston School shot his principal, and in Bailey, Colo., a man shot a 16-year-old girl and himself after a standoff.

L. Ailing leader

Cuban officials claimed President Fidel Castro was slowly recovering from major surgery, and planned to return to power when he was well. Although Castro issued a message on New Year's Day, the 48th anniversary of his revolution, the fact that he had not been seen and few photos were released fueled speculation about the true condition of his health.

M. Ethics charge

Durham County, N.C., prosecutor Michael Nifong was charged with ethics violations in the case of three Duke University lacrosse teammates accused of sexual assault. The North Carolina bar filed the charges against Nifong, claiming he made inappropriate statements to the media about the suspects and DNA evidence.

N. Continent in turmoil

Armed conflict and starvation continued across Africa. Somalia, with the help of Ethiopia, fought to quell Islamic militants. The U.S. made airstrikes against militants thought to be hiding al Qaeda suspects in the 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in Tanzania and Kenya. In Sudan's Darfur region, the United Nations sought help for starving refugees amid fighting between rebels and government militia.

O. They come; should they go?

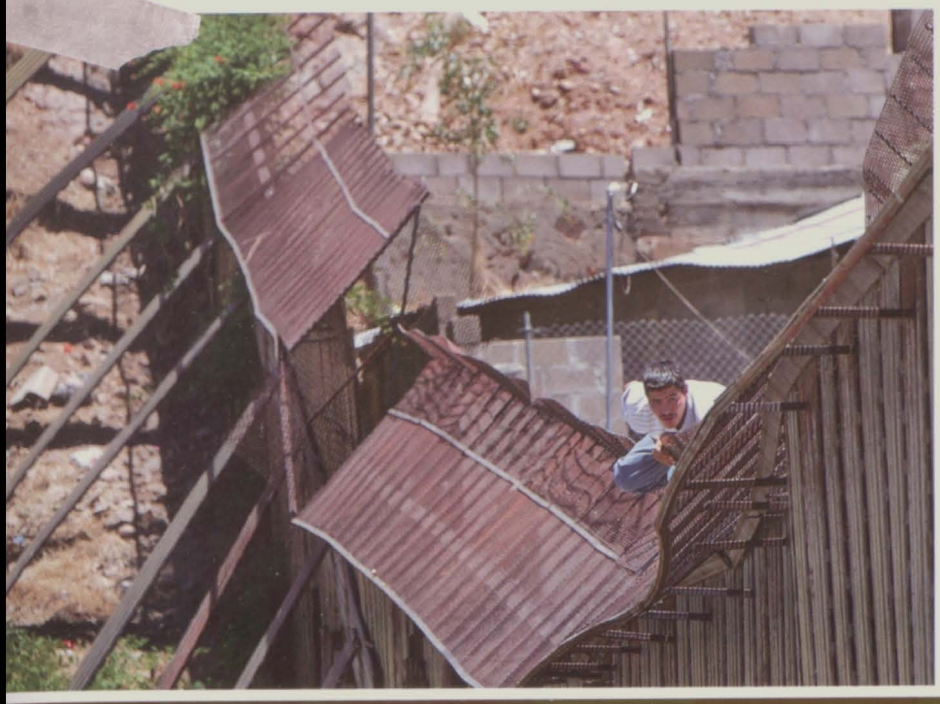
Congress, the president and American citizens grappled with the emotional and economic issue of illegal immigration. The debate ranged from sending home all people in the U.S. illegally and fining employers who hire them to amnesty and a guest worker program. President George W. Bush signed a bill to build 700 miles of new fencing along the U.S.-Mexican border.

Former Texas Gov. Ann Richards, famous for a 1988 Democratic convention speech, died in Austin.

New York City could have an all-day rush hour by 2030, city planners and other experts said.

Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla., resigned after inappropriate emails to Congressional pages were brought to light.

Cartoon characters appeared on fruits and vegetables to promote healthier eating.



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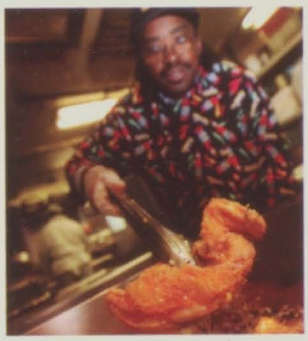

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P. Removing trans fats

Use of trans fats was stopped in some high-profile settings. New York City's health board banned them in restaurants, as did Universal Parks and Resorts and Walt Disney Resorts at their U.S. parks. Trans fats are less expensive to use, but increase bad cholesterol levels, a factor in heart disease.

Q. Helping hand

Oprah Winfrey opened a school for disadvantaged girls in South Africa, named the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy. Winfrey spent more than $40 million to build and supply the academy and helped to interview and select the first 152 girls to admit. The school will eventually have 450 girls. Winfrey plans to build a second school for boys and girls in South Africa.

R. Spy thriller

Interpol joined the investigation of the death of former Russian KGB agent Alexander Litvinenko, who died from ingesting radioactive polonium-210, but not before claiming Russian President Vladimir Putin was behind his poisoning. The Kremlin denied the accusation. The investigation strained the relationship between the Russian and British governments.

S. U.S. pressures Iran

The United States continued to seek ways to pressure Iran to stop its nuclear program. The United Nations Security Council passed a resolution imposing sanctions on Iran to stop uranium enrichment, which Iran claimed was for electricity generation and not weapons. The U.S. also announced sanctions against Bank Sepah, which provides international banking services in the Middle East.

T. Ask for it by name

Pseudoephedrine is a great decongestant when you have a cold. Unfortunately, it is also used to make methamphetamine, so the government made pharmacies take products such as Sudafed and Drixoral off the shelves. Now adults who want the medicine, must ask for it, show photo identification and sign a logbook.

U.S. scientists claimed to have trained bees to detect explosives.

Ban Ki-moon of South Korea became the new United Nations secretary-general Jan. 1

Pop star Madonna's decision to adopt a Malawian boy angered child welfare groups but focused attention on the 900,000 orphans in Malawi.

Teacher Gary Weddle of Ephrata, Wash., stopped shaving Sept. 11, 2001, and will shave only after Osama bin Laden has been caught or killed.

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A. Indy does it

Playing in a soggy downpour in Miami, the Indianapolis Colts won Super Bowl XLI by defeating the Chicago Bears, 29-17. Though the game was plagued by both teams fumbling in the rain, Indy quarterback Peyton Manning was chosen the game's MVP after leading the team to almost 500 yards of offense. It was the first championship for Manning and coach Tony Dungy, both long considered two of the best in the game.

B. Italian delight

Italy won the fourth World Cup title in the nation's history, winning a 5-3 shootout over France in the final match, after the two teams battled to a 1-1 draw in regulation time. The championship game was marred when French star Zinedine Zidane was ejected for a vicious head butt.

C. Gator bait

The Florida Gators chomped on Ohio State in the BCS National Championship Game, routing the Buckeyes 41-14. Florida quarterback Chris Leak easily outplayed his Heisman Trophy counterpart, Ohio State's Troy Smith, and Florida became the first school to win a college football and college basketball national title in a 12-month span.

D. Good-bye, Andre

Tennis star Andre Agassi brought his competitive career to an end, retiring after 20 years as a pro because of various back injuries. Considered one of the all-time greats, Agassi was one of only five players in history to win all four Grand Slam titles.

E. Fast friends

Golfer Tiger Woods and tennis star Roger Federer, possibly the two most dominant individual athletes in sports, amused the media by striking up a public friendship. The buddies each had a great year: Federer broke the record for most consecutive weeks ranked number one in the world, and Woods won six tournaments in a row, including the British Open and the PGA Championship.

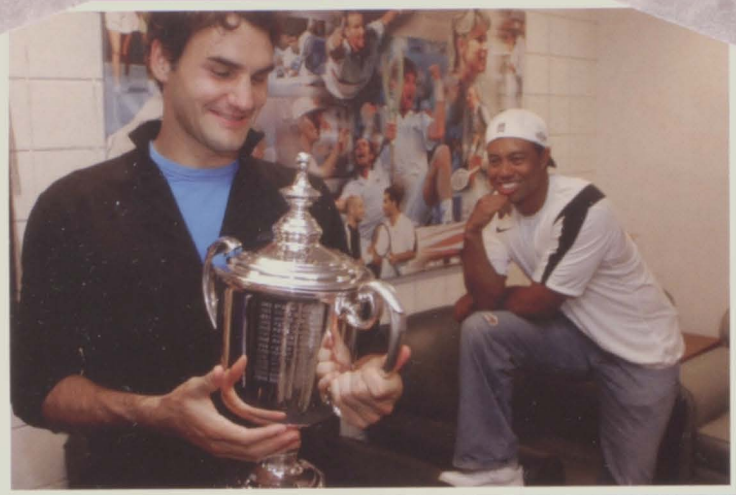
F. It's in the Cards

After sneaking into the playoffs with only 83 wins, the St. Louis Cardinals stunned the baseball world by advancing to the World Series, and then promptly knocked off the Detroit Tigers in five games. Scrappy shortstop David Eckstein was the unlikely MVP for the unlikely champs.

The U.S. men's basketball team struggled, losing to Greece at the World Championships.

Texas Tech coach Bobby Knight got his 880th win, a new record for college basketball.

Sports Illustrated named Miami Heat guard Dwayne Wade the Sportsman of the Year.



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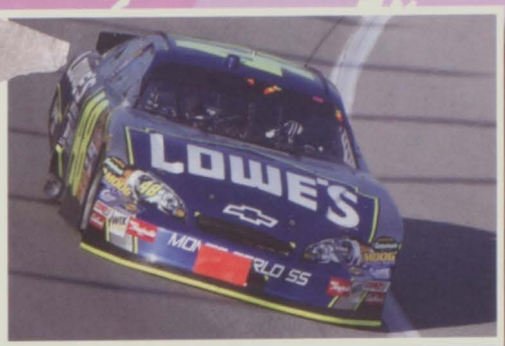

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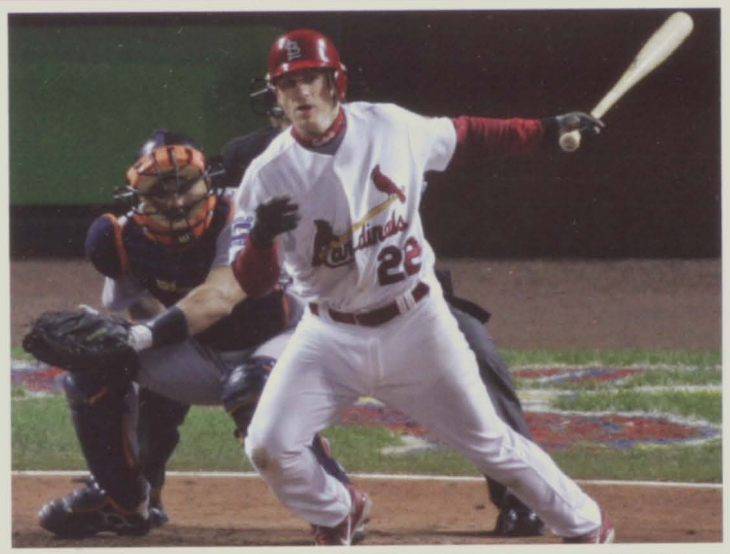

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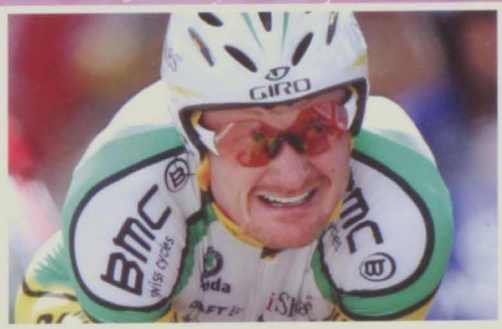

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G. Quite a year

After finishing second in 2003 and 2004, NASCAR driver Jimmie Johnson finally broke through and won his first Nextel Cup championship. Johnson became the first driver to win the Daytona 500, the Brickyard 400 and the Nextel Cup all in the same season.

H. Call it a comeback

Coming off a year where she was plagued by a chronic knee injury and her world ranking plummeted, Serena Williams kicked off 2007 in fine comeback style by winning the Australian Open, knocking off top-ranked Maria Sharapova in the process.

I. Testing troubles

Two high-profile American athletes dealt with the fallout from failed performance-enhancing drug tests. Cyclist Floyd Landis won the Tour de France, but was then stripped of the title. Sprinter Justin Gatlin, an Olympic Gold medalist and world record holder in the 100 meters, was banned from competition for eight years.

what you think!

Who is the most dominant athlete in American sports right now?

- Peyton Manning: 23%
- LeBron James: 23%
- Tiger Woods: 18%

Survey results compiled from reponses of 1,600 high school and middle school students across the nation.

Ohio State quarterback Troy Smith won the Heisman Trophy.

In its first year since relocating from San Jose, the Houston Dynamo won the MLS championship.

Tony Gwynn and Cal Ripken Jr., were elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in their first try on the ballot.

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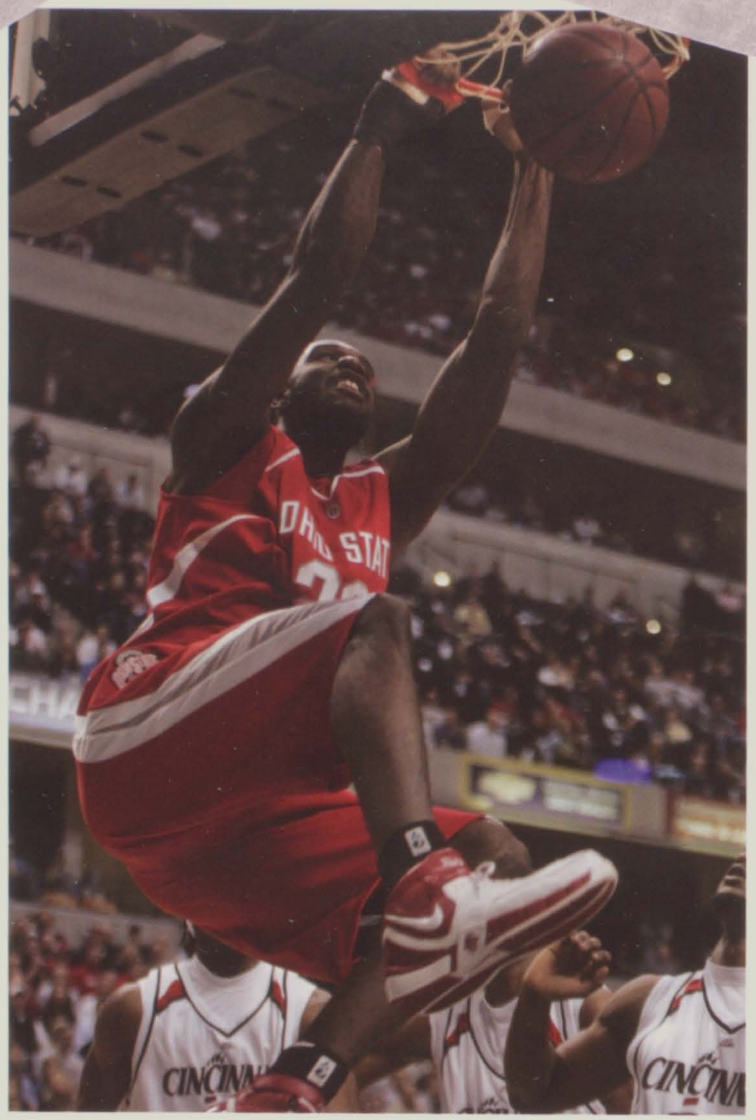

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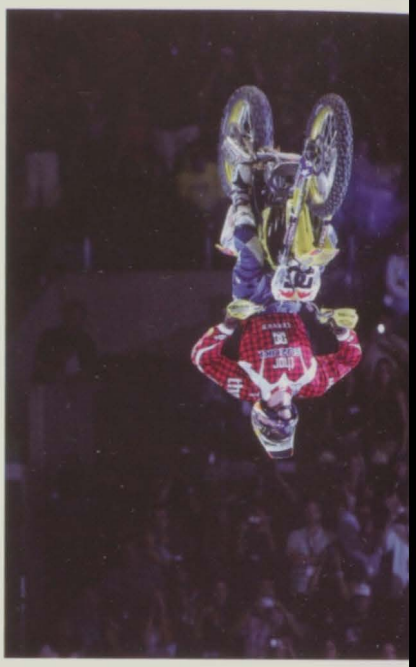

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J. Back to school

New rules dictated that basketball players could not enter the NBA draft until they were at least one year removed from high school. As a result, several highly touted players, such as Ohio State's Greg Oden, planned on spending at least one year playing college basketball before turning pro.

K. A terrible accident

Just days after his team was eliminated from the playoffs, New York Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle was killed when the small plane he was co-piloting accidentally crashed into a New York City apartment building. The crash also killed flight instructor Tyler Strange.

L. What a flip

Motorsports athlete Travis Pastrana stole the show at the X Games by becoming the first competitor to ever land a double backflip during a motorcross competition. Even though the move won him the Freestyle MX gold medal, Pastrana said he had no plans to ever try the stunt again.

M. Coming to America

British soccer star David Beckham surprised many by signing a deal to play for the Los Angeles Galaxy of MLS. Essentially a household name in England and throughout Europe, Beckham immediately provided some credibility for the American league, typically considered a notch below the European leagues.

N. A lady tiger

Mexican golfer Lorena Ochoa was named the AP Female Athlete of the Year after a season in which she won six tournaments on the LPGA tour and earned more than $2.5 million in winnings.

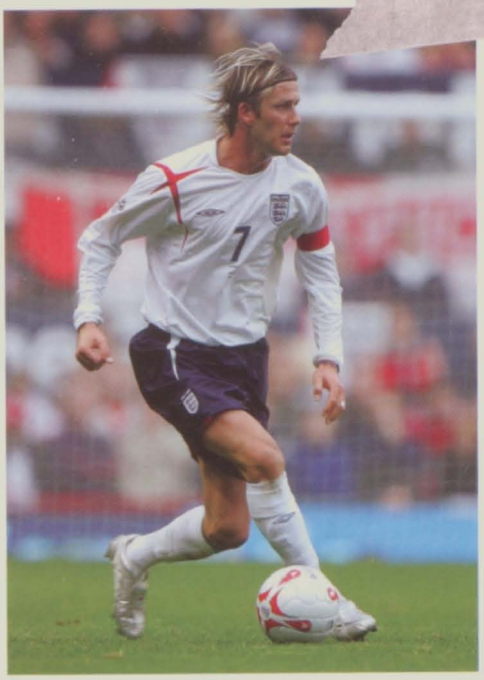
O. Ouch!

Serious youth sports injuries continued to become more common, especially with the continued proliferation of extreme sports like snowboarding and skateboarding. Doctors were concerned that teens who suffered knee ligament tears were becoming more susceptible to early arthritis.

Kentucky Derby winning horse Barbaro was put to sleep after an 8-month ordeal from a broken leg.

Legendary Boston Celtics coach Red Auerbach, who led the team to nine titles, died at age 89.

The Detroit Shock won their second WNBA title in four years.



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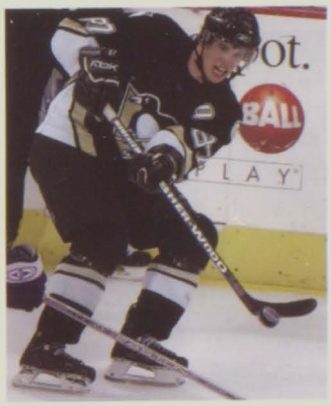

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P. Game of the year

Small school Boise State went 12-0 during the college football season, and then became the subject of debate by being included in the BCS. The team provided quite a response, knocking off Oklahoma in an overtime thriller in the Fiesta Bowl, both sending the game into OT and then winning the game on trick plays.

Q. The next great one?

Sidney Crosby of the Pittsburgh Penguins became the youngest player in NHL history to score 100 points in a season during his rookie year in 2006. In 2007, the 19-year old became the youngest player ever voted in as a starter for the NHL All-Star Game.

what you think!

What is your favorite sport to watch on TV?

- Football: 45%
- Basketball: 16%
- Soccer : 8%
- Baseball: 8%

Survey results compiled from reponses of 1,600 high school and middle school students across the nation.

Dallas Cowboys coach Bill Parcells retired after 20 years as a head coach in the NFL.

San Diego running back Ladainian Tomlinson broke the NFL single-season touchdown record.

The NBA changed its ball for the first time in 23 years, from leather to a new synthetic material, then changed back.

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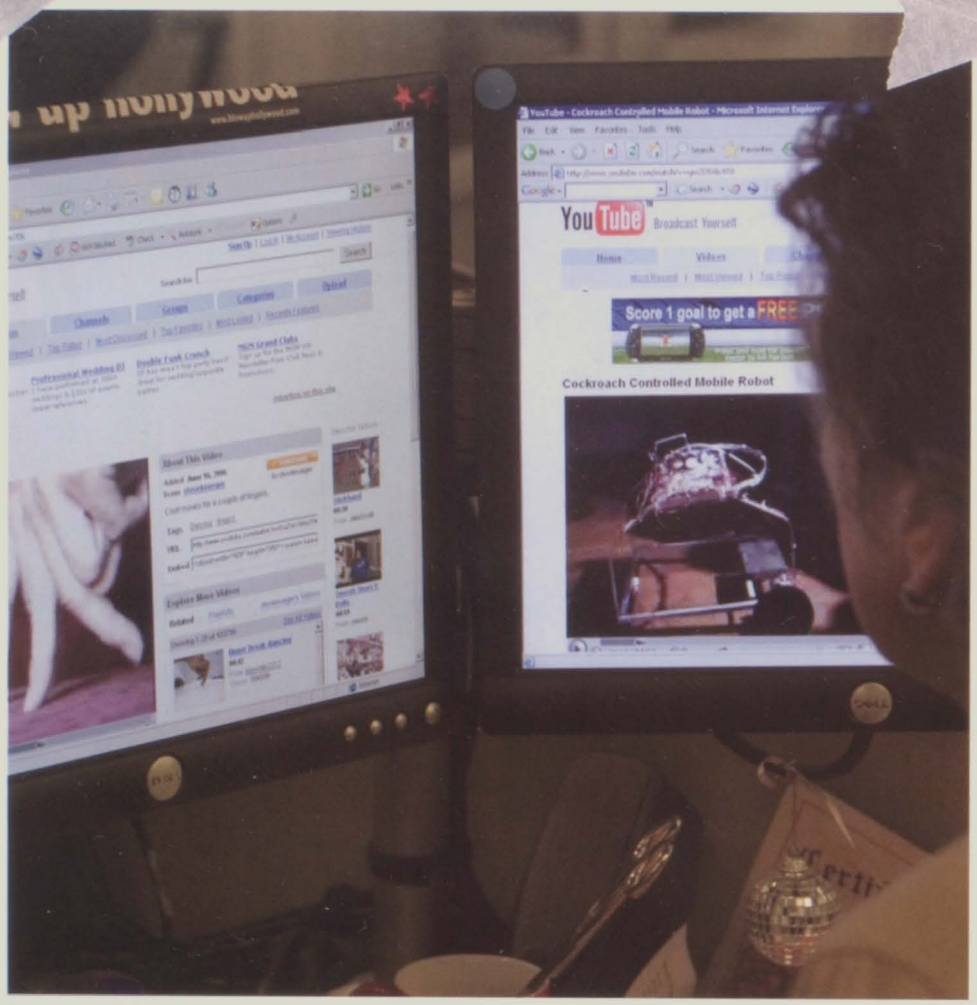

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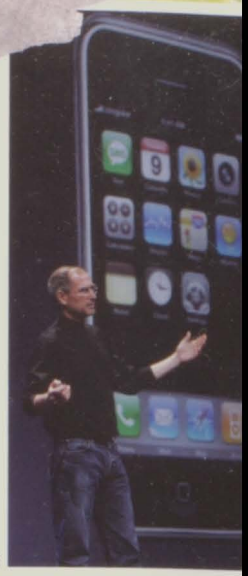

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A. YouTube goes Google

The wildly popular website YouTube, which allows users to exchange video clips, was purchased by internet portal Google for $1.65 billion. The deal got mixed reviews. YouTube benefited from Google's global reach, but users complained when hundreds of copyrighted clips were removed from the site.

B. The latest gadget

Technology innovator Apple jumped into the wireless phone business with its latest product, iPhone. Designed to combine a digital camera, PDA, media player and wireless phone in one device with a touchpad screen, the iPhone cost between $500-600.

C. A reason to hope

For the second straight year, cancer deaths in the U.S. dropped. The totals decreased by 3,014 deaths. Doctors attributed the success to declines in smoking, as well as earlier and more effective treatment of tumors.

D. Game of choice

Sony fired the latest salvo in the video game wars by releasing the PlayStation 3 device to compete with Microsoft's Xbox 360. With models featuring 20GB and 60GB of memory for media storage, Sony plugged the PS3 as much more than just a video game console.

E. Save the seafood

A group of ecologists published a study indicating that if current trends of overfishing and pollution continued, then the seafood industry faced a possible collapse by 2048.

F. A new treatment

The FDA approved a new drug called Gardasil, which claimed to be a vaccine to treat the virus that can cause cervical cancer. Guidelines called for the drug to be administered to girls as young as 11 or 12 before they become sexually active. Some conservative religious groups immediately voiced concern that doing so would promote promiscuity.

Divers studied wreckage in North Carolina believed to be the ship of the famous pirate Blackbeard.

Studies indicated humpback whales have a brain cell type seen only in humans, apes and dolphins.

Due to new standards, astronomers said Pluto was no longer considered a planet.

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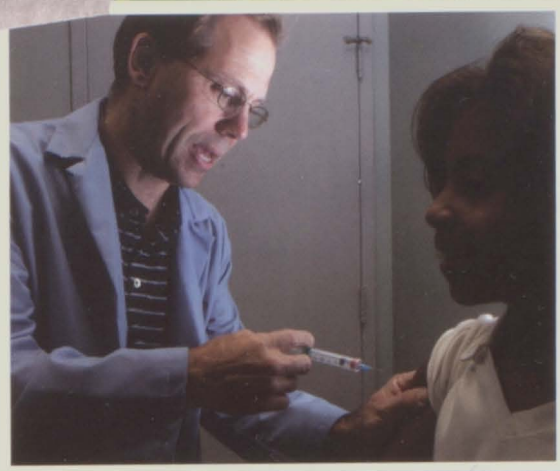

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G. Lady first

Anousheh Ansari, the co-founder of her own technology company, became the first female space tourist. Ansari accompanied U.S. astronauts and Russian cosmonauts on an eight-day mission to the International Space Station and became the first person to publish a blog from space.

H. Race to the moon and beyond

The U.S., Japan, Russia and China all continued renewed efforts to send manned missions back to the moon for the first time in more than 30 years, and started plotting manned missions to Mars. Scientists guessed that by 2020, both goals might be reached.

I. Future fuels

BMW became the first auto manufacturer to take a hydrogen-powered car into mass production by producing 100 models of the Hydrogen 7, a car powered by pumping hydrogen into a combustion engine and igniting it. Meanwhile, more ethanol fuel refineries continued to open across the country.

J. Think it, move it

Advances in medicine allowed doctors to hone and improve artificial limbs, including "bionic" arms that can be controlled by impulses from the brain. The U.S. military began projects to research the thought-controlled arms for use by wounded soldiers returning home.

what you think!

What is your favorite website?

- MySpace: 33%
- Google: 9%
- YouTube: 7%
- Facebook: 6%

Survey results compiled from reponses of 1,600 high school and middle school students across the nation.

Some research indicated that nine out of 10 emails were "spam," or unwanted email.

It wasn't quite Harry Potter, but scientists claimed to be closer to creating an invisibility cloak.

Animal hospitals began using alternative treatments like acupuncture and aromatherapy in treating pet injuries.

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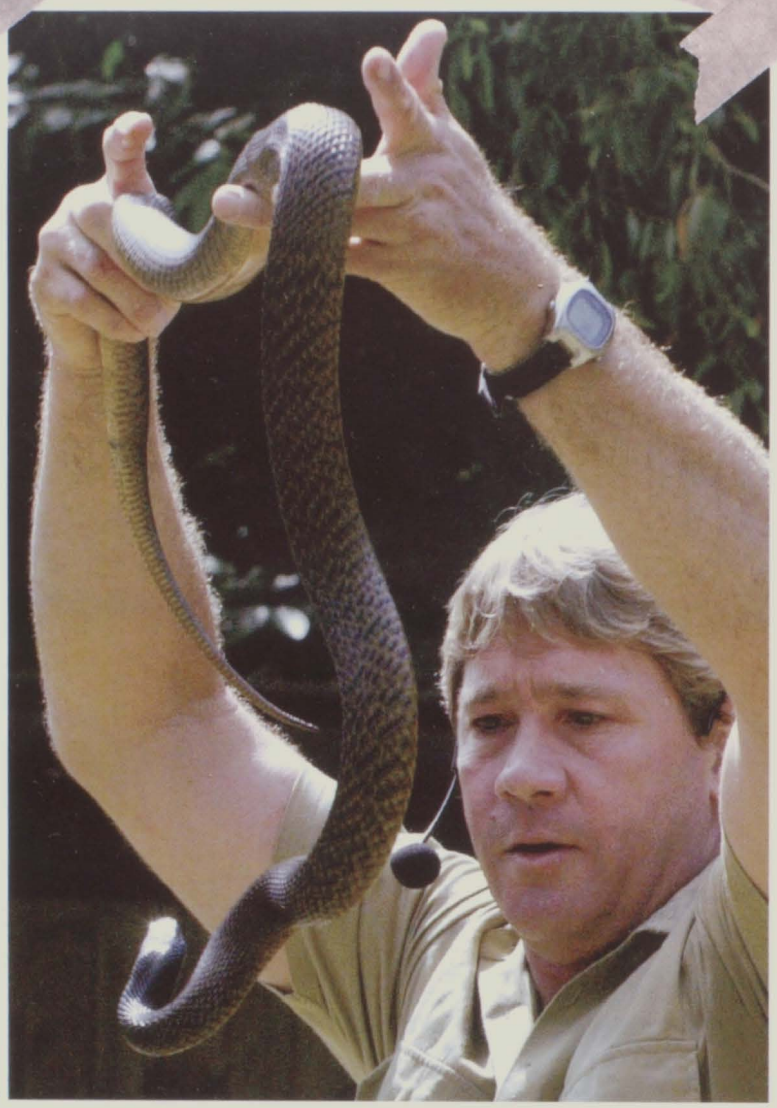

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A. A shocking end

Steve Irwin, the Australian nature adventurer known worldwide as the "Crocodile Hunter," was tragically killed while shooting underwater footage for one of his popular wildlife shows. Irwin died when a stingray stung him, and the barb pierced his heart.

B. Top of the list

In an annual survey of the highest-paid actresses in Hollywood, Nicole Kidman landed on top for the first time by earning an average of $17 million per movie. Kidman also became one-half of another high-profile entertainment couple, marrying country star and fellow Aussie Keith Urban.

C. Almost a dream

Dreamgirls, a musical loosely based on the rise to fame of Motown legends The Supremes, actually led all films with eight Oscar nominations. Surprisingly, the movie did not get a nod for Best Picture. However, the music and the individual performances of stars Eddie Murphy and Jennifer Hudson were honored.

D. Ahoy, matey!

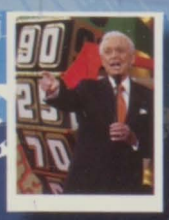
The Pirates of the Caribbean movie saga continued, and ruled the box office. The second movie in the series, *Dead Man's Chest*, was easily the highest grossing movie of 2006, earning more than $420 million. The third, and final, installment was scheduled for release in the summer of 2007.

E. Grammy haul

The Dixie Chicks were big winners at the Grammy Awards, taking home five honors, including Album of the Year, Song of the Year and Record of the Year. It was an unexpected haul for the country trio, after the group drew years of criticism for its stance against the Iraq War.

F. Night switch

ABC moved medical drama *Grey's Anatomy* from Sunday night to Thursday to go head-to-head against highly rated crime show *CSI*. Both shows continued to do well. Combined, the two shows attracted more than 40 million viewers on Thursdays.



The Price is Right host Bob Barker retired after 35 years on the show.

Movie critic Roger Ebert took an extended leave due to a battle with cancer.

Daniel Craig was a hit as the new James Bond in the remake of *Casino Royale*.

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G. Better together

Struggling TV networks WB and UPN merged to form a new channel called The CW. The fledgling new network was filled with several popular shows geared toward the teen audience, such as *The Gilmore Girls*, *Smallville*, *Veronica Mars* and *One Tree Hill*.

H. Borat in America

No movie made bigger waves than *Borat*, a comedy about the antics of a politically incorrect journalist from Kazakhstan who visits America. Comedian Sacha Baron Cohen created and played the fictitious title character, and received both praise for his creativity and scorn for his controversial material.

I. Interesting mix

The Academy Awards produced a unique set of Best Picture nominees. *The Departed*, the winner, was about police corruption; and *Letters From Iwo Jima* was a World War II movie told from the Japanese perspective. *Babel* told the story of an American couple encountering tragedy while vacationing in Morocco. The other nominees were the child beauty pageant comedy *Little Miss Sunshine* and *The Queen*, a biopic on England's Queen Elizabeth II.

what you think!

What was your favorite movie this year?

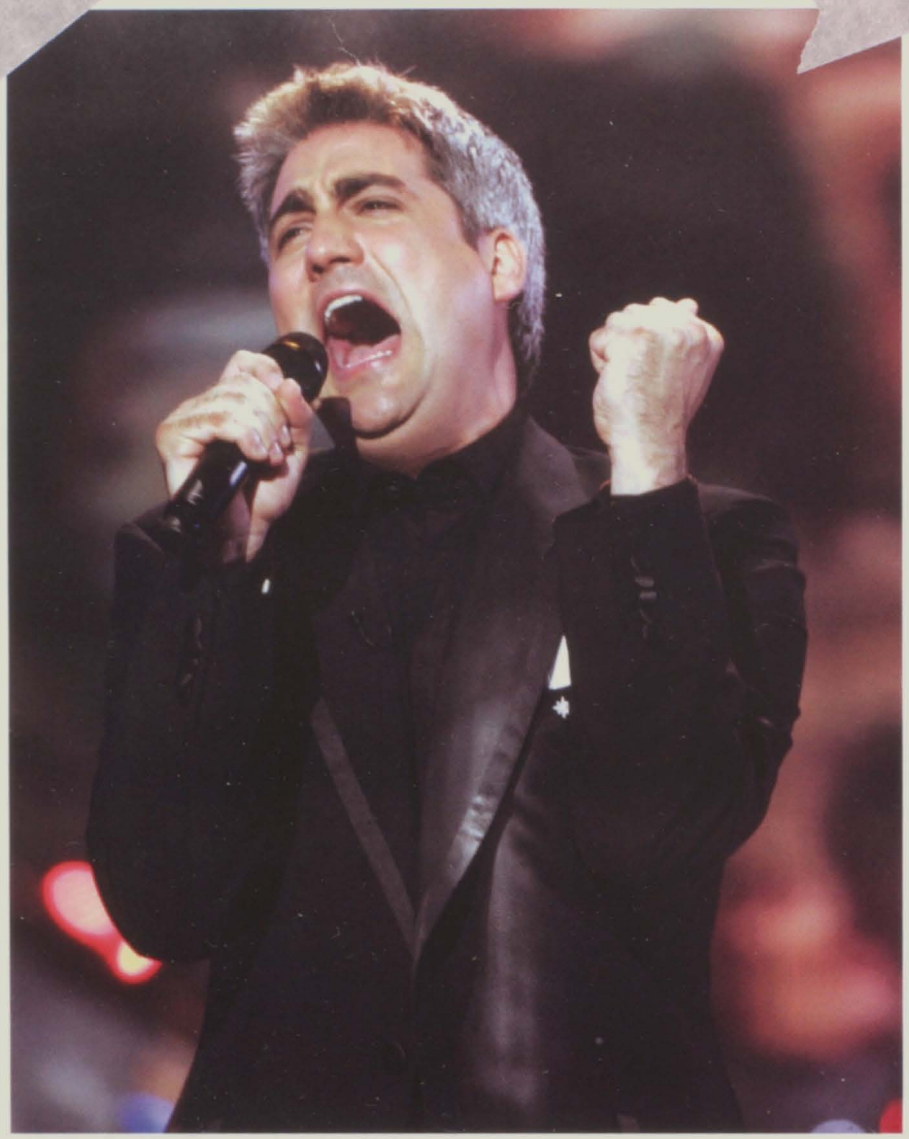
- ***Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*: 9%**
- ***Talladega Nights: The Legend of Ricky Bobby*: 6%**
- ***Borat*: 5%**
- ***Step Up*: 5%**

Survey results compiled from reponses of 1,600 high school and middle school students across the nation.

Van Halen and REM were elected to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Pop star Britney Spears split from husband Kevin Federline.

Just two years after retiring, rapper Jay-Z made a comeback with the album *Kingdom Come*.



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J. More popular than ever

Southern soul crooner Taylor Hicks won the fifth season of *American Idol*, as the show's popularity continued to climb and attract more viewers. The sixth season premiere in January drew in 37.3 million people.

K. Not so crazy

Gnarls Barkley, a duo combining rapper Cee-Lo and D.J. Danger Mouse, released their first album, *St. Elsewhere*, and it quickly became a hit. Known for a unique sound and tendency to perform in wild costumes, Gnarls Barkley's first single, "Crazy," became the most purchased song of the year.

L. All grown up

Former boy band star Justin Timberlake continued his maturation by releasing his second solo album, which sold nearly 700,000 copies in the first week. The album also broke the iTunes records for pre-orders and first week sales.

M. Surprising success

Former vice president Al Gore stepped back into the spotlight. To the surprise of many, Gore's documentary about the environment, *An Inconvenient Truth*, actually sold tickets to the tune of almost $40 million. Gore's book of the same name also stayed on the *New York Times* bestseller list for several weeks.

N. King of comedy

Funny man Will Ferrell cemented his growing reputation as a box office star with the hit *Talladega Nights: The Legend of Ricky Bobby*. Ferrell played the lead title role in the fictional biopic of a racecar driver that spoofed the world of NASCAR.

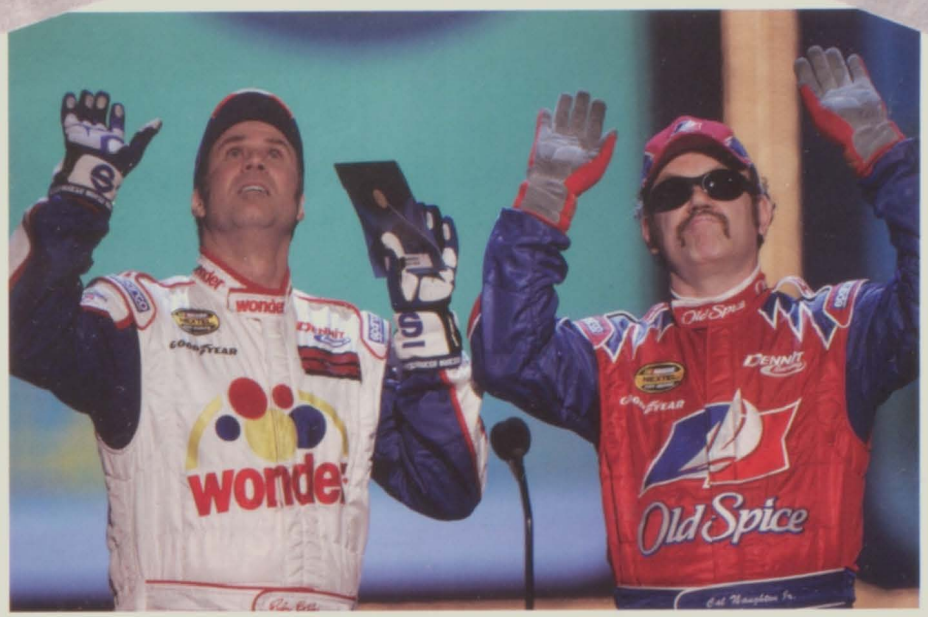
O. Instant hit

Disney's made-for-TV movie *High School Musical* sold more than one million copies in the first six days it was released on DVD. The film was popular enough that it was made into a stage show, and filming began on the sequal.

Popular new TV shows included *Heroes* and *Ugly Betty*.

Panic! At the Disco won Video of the Year at the MTV Video Music Awards for "I Write Sins Not Tragedies."

Hollywood couple Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes got married.



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P. A first for everything

Fox's real-time thriller *24* was the big winner at the Emmy Awards. *24* was named Outstanding Drama Series, and Keifer Sutherland won for Lead Actor in a Drama Series. Both honors were a first for a Fox TV show. NBC's *The Office* also won Outstanding Comedy Series for the first time.

Q. Good-bye to the Godfather

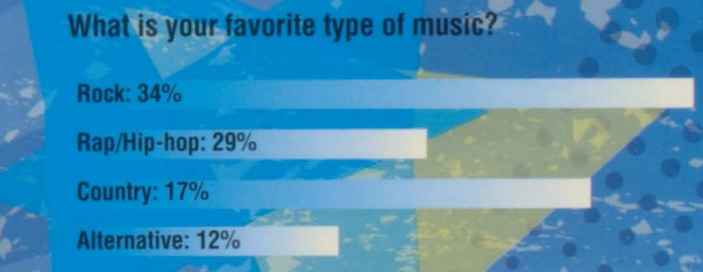
Known for his distinctive voice and dance moves, the "Godfather of soul" James Brown died at the age of 73. Other entertainers to pass away included Joseph Barbera, the animator who helped create Fred Flintstone and Scooby-Doo, R&B singer Gerald Levert, Oscar-winning movie director Robert Altman and Oscar-winning actor Jack Palance.

R. Finally...the end

Daniel Handler, author of the popular Lemony Snicket children's books, finished the 13th and final novel in the series, appropriately titled *The End*. All told, the tales of the orphaned Baudelaire children sold more than 50 million copies during their run.

what you think!

What is your favorite type of music?



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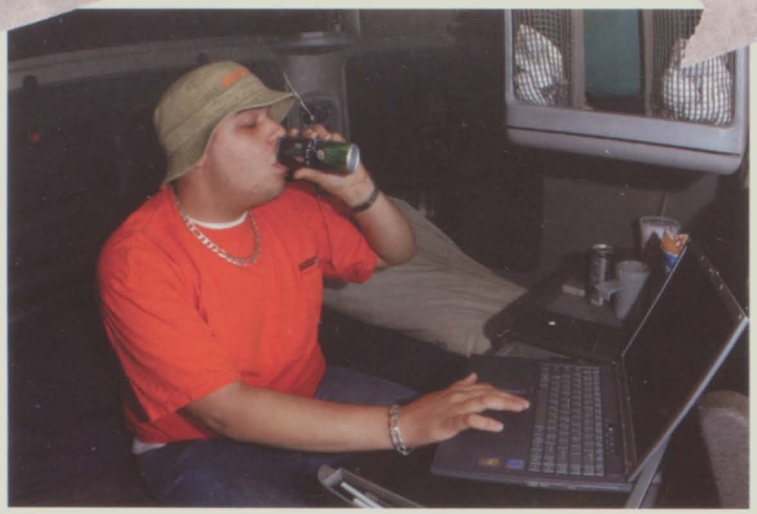
For the 13th time in their career, Brooks & Dunn was named Vocal Duo of the Year at the Country Music Awards.

The O.C. was cancelled at the end of the show's fourth season.

Red Hot Chili Peppers was named Best Band at the American Music Awards.



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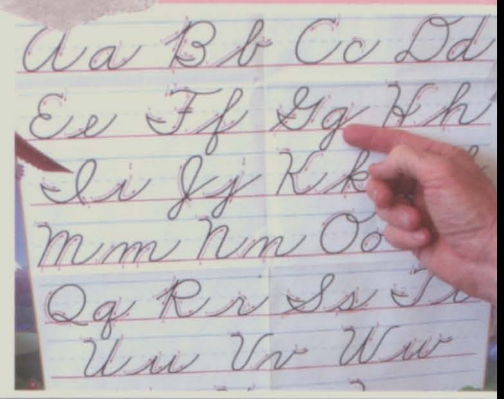

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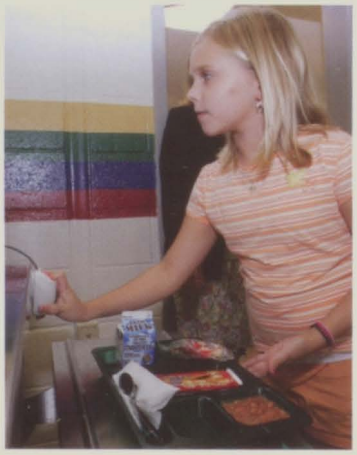

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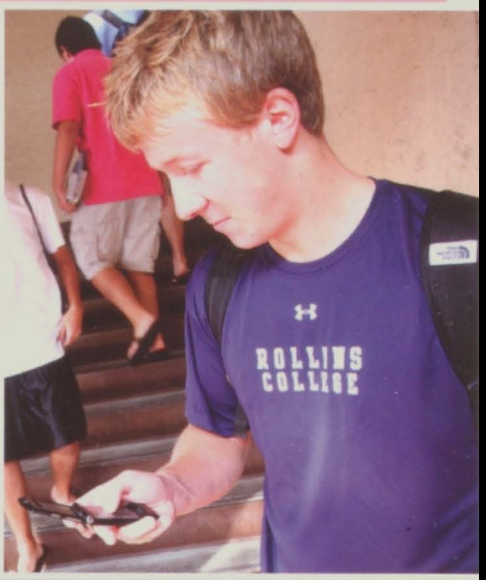

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A. Perk up

More teens became caffeine consumers. Simmons Research said 31% of U.S. teens, or 7.6 million, drank energy drinks. The energy drink industry grew 80% last year, and mainly targeted males in their teens and 20s with their caffeine and sugar concoctions.

B. Cursive writing outdated

The number of students using cursive handwriting had declined. Fewer elementary schools are teaching it, and more students are printing. Eighty-five percent of students who took the 2006 SAT test for college printed their essay answers.

C. The '80s are back

Long sweaters, leggings, tall boots, wide belts, big black sunglasses and big jewelry – designers took 1980s fashions for women and gave them a twist for the new century. Untucked button shirts over tees, Polo shirts and cargo pants were still mainstays for the guys. And fashion went beyond clothes, with cell phone bling in the form of stickers, faceplates, charms and holders.

D. Feed me

Lunch lines moved faster thanks to technology that let parents keep funds in an account that the student can access. Children at some schools used an account number, while other students use fingerprints to make their purchases. Parents also saw what their children were buying.

E. Get the message

SUP? Text messaging, that's what. Texting via cell phone was cheape than talking, and was used by students to check in with friends o remind parents to pick them up.

what you think!

What is the worst problem at your school?

- Too many rules: 24%
- Bad student behavior that interferes with learning: 16%
- Bad food: 16%
- The school is so small, everyone knows everyone's business: 1
- No problems, my school is cool: 12%

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Studies showed that talking on a hands-free cell phone while driving is equivalent to driving legally drunk, *Time* magazine reported.

Teen pregnancies fell to their lowest level in 65 years, the Centers for Disease Control reported.

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